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Farmer Stebbins as Santa Claus.

By WILL CARLETON.

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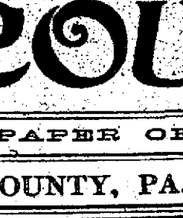
We went to Pogtown visiting, my good old wife an' me,
An' "thought that we would bathe ourselves in Chris'mus joy an' glee:
For Sarah Ann, a buxom dame, an' daughter, too, of mine,
Resides there with her older half an' children eight or nine;
An' so we gathered gifts enough to make 'em all content
An' took the train an' landed there the very day we went.



The children warmly greeted us an' crowded round my chair,
With four a-perchin' on my knees an' young uns still to spare;
An' asked about my spectacles, an' how I growed my wig,
An' if my papa bought my teeth before I got so big,
An' how my whiskers come to bleach an' other questions prone
To make a mortal realize that younger days have flown;

An' if I ever looked it up how fur I was around,
An' when I ran if it would shake the whole adjacent ground,
An' if the your-correct-weight box didn't think I was a lot,
An' if I wouldn't have to put two pennies in the slot,
With other questions well designed to give a hint to me
That I was not a first class sylph so far as they could see.

An' when I told 'em fairy tales they wouldn't believe a word
An' said the Sin'bad sailor things could never have occurred;
An' all the pleasant little lies that used to cheer my youth
They set upon without delay as dartituto of truth.
Ah' when of Christmas mysteries in solemn tones I spoke,
They laughed an' said that Santa Claus was all "a bloomin' fake."

So Christmas eve I slyly told my daughter Sarah Ann:
"I'll show the tots a little sight to laugh as if they can.
You take the fireplace clear o' fire, not tellin' them the cause,
An' I'll come down the chimney way dressed up as Santa Claus.
It isn't very far to climb—the weather's pretty mild,
An' I would do three times as much to interest a child."

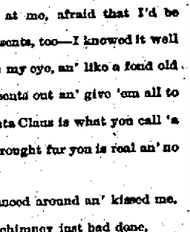
I went an' clad in hairy garb, with whiskers long an' white
An' other things to paralyze the inexperienced sight,
An' had some sleighbells bright an' new a-hangin' on my arms
An' pockets full o' Christmas things to add unto my charms,
An' with the strongest ladder rope that I could find in town
I entered in the chimney top an' clambered slowly down.

My goodness sakes! Who ever heard of such untimely luck?
The chimney narrowed all to once, an' suddenly I stuck
An' hung there like a coastin' hen a-waitin' to be brown,
For spite of all my effortin' I couldn't get up or down.
An' then the chil'ren heard the noise an' run distressin' float
An' looked an' yelled: "It's Gran'pa Steb. We know him by his foot".

An' then their mother had to tell what I had tried to do,
Whereat their little fancies sprung the subject to pursue.
They asked me if I'd traveled far, if chimneys injured coats,
An' where my span of reindeers was, an' if they'd like some oats,
An' told me, with a childish greed for Christmas gathered pelf,
If I would throw the presents down, I needn't come myself;

An' there I hung for quite awhile, with fury in my heart,
Until they brought a mason in, who took the bricks apart;
An' though they made the children stop, an' sent 'em off to bed,
I knowed what they was thinkin' of an' what they prob'ly said,
An' when the mornin' did appear an' breakfast time occurred,
They sat around the table there forbid to say a word:

A-sufferin' so to laugh at me, afraid that I'd be gruff,
An' longin' for their presents, too—I knowed it well enough.
An' then a tear come in my eye, an' like a fond old dunce
I went an' dug the presents out an' give 'em all to once.
An' then I says, "If Santa Claus is what you call 'a fake,'
These pr'tty things he brought fur you is real an' no mistake."



An' then they up an' danced around an' kissed me, one by one,
An' hugged me harder than the blamed old chimney just had done,
An' with a thousand looks of love incumbered me with thanks
An' made me like 'em more an' more in spite of all their pranks.
An' made me like 'em more an' more in spite of all their pranks.
She smiles an' says: "It's Gran'pa Steb. We know him by his heart!"

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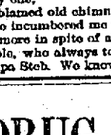

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AN EPISODE.

CHRISTMAS ON THE JOLLITY THEATER STOCK COMPANY.

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Three weeks before the holidays, and the outlook for a merry Christmas was a gloomy one, at least so far as the members of the stock company of the Jollity theater were concerned. Salary day had come and gone, and as yet the ghost had shown no disposition to walk, and it was because of the nonappearance of that most welcome specter of stageland that the rumor had started and was rapidly gaining ground that Messrs. Hustle and Hardup, proprietors and managers of the Jollity theater, were "in a hole again."

The piece which occupied the boards had proved a flat failure, and receipts at the box office had fallen in consequence to a plane never before reached in the history of the house. Moreover, no new play had as yet been put in rehearsal, and an atmosphere of unmistakable gloom and apprehension pervaded the region behind the footlights and weighed heavily on the spirits of every one therein, from Pearl Livingstone, the talented emotional actress who played the leading female parts, down to little Kitty Sullivan, who was only 7 years old and was in the depths of despair because for fully three weeks she had been out of the bill. In short, every member of the company was in a condition of mingled uncertainty and curiosity in regard to the future of the playhouse and the projects of its managers, who as yet had given no sign of their intentions and had, in fact, been invisible to the members of their artistic staff ever since the last day on which salaries became due.

On this particular night, which happened to be one of storm and rain, two or three of the principal actors had gathered together for a serious talk about the situation, when Tom, the programme boy, appeared suddenly before them in an almost breathless condition and exclaimed: "Mr. Freelance is back from Chicago. He's in the office with Mr. Hustle. They've got both doors locked."

"Mr. Freelance!" cried Miss Livingstone, her face lighting up with joy, precisely as it does in her scene in the second act where her lover comes back from India, or rather as it did light up in that scene before the business became so bad. "Are you sure it was Mr. Freelance, Tommy?"

"Sure!" rejoined Tom, with emphasis. "I seen him meself when he come in."

"Then, Tom, you be sure and see him when he comes out and tell him that I am particularly anxious to see him back here as soon as the curtain goes down on the second act. Here's a quarter for you, Tom, and you'd better keep it as a curiosity, for it's getting to be a very rare sort of bird in the Jollity theater preserves."

"Thank you, mum," said Tom as he pocketed the coin, with a grin.

"I fancy I see a gleam of light on the distant horizon," remarked the venerable Mr. Borders in a tone similar to that which he assumes in the great melodrama called "The Ocean Blue," in the scene in which he is discovered sitting on a raft in midocean on the lookout for a passing sail. "In the meantime," he added, "I think we had better wait and hear what Billy has to say before we take any further action in the matter."

Up to that moment they had taken no action whatever, but the phrase sounded well, and so Mr. Borders employed it.

Now, Mr. William Freelance, called by his intimates Billy, was and is today one of the best known figures in the theatrical affairs of the town, and, as every member of the stock company knew, he had on more than one previous occasion come to the rescue of his old friends, Messrs. Hustle and Hardup, and that, too, when they were in even more deplorable financial straits than they were at the present moment.

It was his reputation as a mascot fully as much as his remarkable talents which caused the whole ayant scene to brighten up at the news of his presence in the theater, for playfolk are notoriously superstitious and have an unbounded and childlike faith in the efficacy of a mascot as well as in the destructive qualities of a "jonah."

Just as the curtain fell on the second act Mr. Freelance appeared behind the scenes and received the rapturous greetings of the company. Then Miss Livingstone took him by the arm, detached him from the little group which surrounded him, led him gently but firmly into her dressing room, placed him on her sine trunk, and standing before him with folded arms said, "Billy, what's going to happen?"

"My dear," replied Mr. Freelance persuasively, "everything is all right, and I just left Hustle for five minutes to come back here and tell you so. We are going to put on a new piece, and there's a part in it that's simply great—out of sight, in fact. We are not quite sure who'll be cast for the part because it's a very heavy emotional one, and if we put a woman in it who didn't know how to read lines she would go all to pieces and the bottom would drop out of the whole play. I thought I'd speak to you about it because Hardup has caught a new 'angel' and said something to me about Kitty Bracebridge"—

"If that wolf puts her foot in this theater"— began Miss Livingstone, but Mr. Freelance interrupted her by placing his hand over her mouth and saying: "Wait for me after the curtain goes down, Pearl, and I'll talk to you about it. Shadrach's waiting in the office, and I've got to give him a 'jolly' so as to get the costumes out of him, but I'll be back here after the last act."

In spite of the stage canards and the

"MR. FREELANCE IS BACK."

dispiriting atmosphere within the performance given that night by the Jollity stock company was a notably brilliant one, for the news had spread that there was to be a speedy change of bill, and hope was once more in every member's breast. Mr. Freelance invited Miss Livingstone out to supper just as she was on the point of declaring that she would not go on again unless she received every cent of the back salary that was due her, and before they left the restaurant she had meekly agreed to study the great emotional role which had been intended for Miss Bracebridge and to say nothing more about back salary.

The next morning, in accordance with a call posted in the stage entrance, the company assembled to hear the new play read by the gifted Mr. Freelance, and such was that gentleman's elocutionary power that when he laid the manuscript aside expressions that ranged from mere satisfaction to rapturous enthusiasm were heard on every hand, and there was scarcely an actor or actress present that did not feel confident of a personal success in the new production.

The reading over, Mr. Freelance took Miss Livingstone, Mr. Borders and one or two other rebellious spirits aside, and, as he expressed it in a subsequent interview with Mr. Hustle, "stiffened their backbones" with the assurance that everything was all right and that the piece was to be done on Christmas eve in order that they might have a really merry Christmas on the prospects of its success. After that, he assured them, their back salaries would pour in upon them in a perfect avalanche.

As Mr. Freelance was leaving the theater he felt some one tugging at his coat, and on looking down saw little Kitty Sullivan standing beside him and saying, in earnest tones, and with a sad, wistful face, "Billy, isn't there any part for me in the new piece?"

The child called him by his first name because she had always heard him spoken to in that way by other members of the company, and Billy rather encouraged her in the idea because it sounded funny to him to hear himself addressed in such familiar terms by an infant of her size.

Kitty was a veritable child of the avant scene, and had been so actress from her very earliest infancy. She was now about 7 years of age, and was just beginning to comprehend the difference between the real things of life, such as houses, trees and streets, and the painted imitations of stageland. And yet it was only two years and a half ago that she beheld the ocean for the first time, and it is related of her that on that occasion she stood with Billy's hand tightly clasped in hers, watching the waves as they broke upon the beach, and finally turned to her companion and said in her serious way, "Billy, how do they work 'em?"

And now she was here beside her old friend, with her small, pathetic face upturned, and inquiring earnestly if there were a role for her in "The Giant's Causeway."

"See here, Kitty," exclaimed Mr. Freelance, touched by the child's grief, "I'll tell you what I'll do for you, and what's more, I wouldn't do it for any one else in the company. Are you listening?"

"Yes," said Kitty, turning her head around.

"Well, I'll write in a part specially for you, and that's something that no author like Sardou or myself rarely does for any one except a Bernhardt or a Duse. Now, run along and be here tomorrow at 11 for rehearsal."

The child darted away, wiping the last tear from her cheek as she ran, and Barney said approvingly, "That's the best deed you'll ever do in your life, Mr. Freelance, and, mark my words, the child'll bring good luck to the house."

How Billy succeeded in persuading the economical Hardup that the piece would prove a failure unless a child were introduced into it and how he contrived to write the part in for her that very night are matters that had best be left to conjecture, but the very next day Kitty received the typewritten copy of her lines, and rehearsals of "The Giant's Causeway" were carried forward under Mr. Freelance's direction with the energy and spirit that mark all of that gentleman's undertakings.

The opening night, Dec. 24, found the house well filled with an audience which made a favorable impression on the venerable Mr. Borders as he looked out through the peephole in the curtain, while behind the footlights feverish excitement and anticipation prevailed.

As for Kitty, she had become so wrought up over her role—the longest one she had ever been intrusted with—that she seemed in danger of losing her balance and forgetting every one of the lines that she had, by diligent study, crammed into her small head. She was standing in the first entrance, with her hand clasped in that of Mr. Freelance, when her cue came, and as she walked out on the stage, the ideal of childish loveliness, a murmur of delight ran through every part of the crowded house.

"They're going to foreclose the mortgage on the old mill tomorrow night, and if that child lives I am a beggar," said the polished cigarette smoking villain, and then a [illegible] the parquet set up a [illegible] which was followed by a general chorus of merriment that might have proved fatal to the piece had not Kitty gone on with her lines with the unchanged and gravity of the born and experienced artist, which she was displaying, aided by a presence of mind which "like the her, on her exit, she first real applause of the evening.

Kitty Sullivan was, as the [illegible] dramatic critic had observed, a child at the business, despite the fact that she was but 7 years of age, had been born and brought up on the stage and was as much at home in the presence of a great audience as an ordinary child is before a nursery. As the piece went on she realized that she was making a hit—a far greater one than she had ever made before—and, young as she was, she was enough of an artist to appreciate the importance of keeping a restraint on herself and not overdoing her role.

She was looking forward to a certain scene in the last act—a scene which she had rehearsed with much delight, and in which she firstly supported by Miss Livingstone. Billy, who had been waiting with some anxiety for this scene, came down and took a seat in a proscenium box, and as the child stood in the wings waiting for her cue she saw him smiling encouragement to her. The scene represented a barren, wave washed rock near the coast of Ireland, and on this rock was standing the virtuous heroine, just where she had been left by the villain. The lights grew dim, the moon arose from beyond the scene, and the Philadelphia quartet, stationed behind the scenes, warbled plaintive Irish melodies.

"Must I die here alone?" moaned the heroine as the tide rose higher and higher about the rock on which she stood and heavy clouds began to gather above her head. And just at that moment, a rowboat, propelled by sturdy arms, came swiftly around the rocky point at the left of the stage, and Kitty Sullivan, throwing aside the oars, sprang up in the boat with her face on the prow and exclaimed in a clear, fadeaway treble, "I have come to save you for the sake of old Ireland!"

Commonplace as it was, with its old, well worn melodramatic effects of rain music and moonlight, nevertheless the situation had taken a strong hold on the audience, and the sudden appearance of the sweet faced child, who had charmed every one during the earlier portions of the play, sent a distinct thrill through the entire house, and then came such an outburst of spontaneous applause as had not been heard in the Jollity theater for many a year.

Even Billy Freelance felt a touch of a magnetic current with which the atmosphere was charged, and might have

KITTY MAKES A HIT.

been heard to remark half audibly, "The kid's knocked 'em good this time, sure, for a thing's got to be good if it gets me."

And as the audience dispersed that night it seemed to Mr. Freelance as he stood alone and wakeful in the lobby that there was but one name on every tongue, and that Kitty's sweet face and infantile art had made their way into the very heart of an always fickle public.

"You were right about her, Billy," said Hardup.

"I told you the young one would bring us good luck," said old Barney at the stage door.

"The idea of making such a fuss over a 7-year-old brat! That shows what art is coming to in this country!" ejaculated Miss Livingstone as she swept through the draffy passage, leaving an odor of sealskin, tuberoses and musk powder behind her.

The members of the stock company had their Christmas dinner in the wardrobe room between the matinee and the evening performances, Messrs. Hustle and Hardup footing the bill and Mr. Freelance presiding, with Miss Pearl Livingstone on his right hand and the venerable Mr. Borders on his left. And it is a matter of record that no toast offered that evening was drunk with heartier applause than was the one proposed by Mr. Freelance to Kitty Sullivan, "the mascot of the Jollity theater and the founder of this feast."

JAMES L. FORD.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Chamberman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with pneumonia succeeding la grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little intermission and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in its results. Trial bottles free at A. W. Ostrander's and A. B. Armstrong & Co.'s drug stores. Regular size 50c and $1.00.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. F. Sinclevitle, of Turtlepoint Valley, Pa., as a candidate for the office of the prothonotary of McKean county, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

UNCLE SAM is paying a rather high price for his ducks at present.

THE President has been making ducks and drakes of our financial matters.

BECAUSE a man makes a fairly good sheriff it does not naturally follow that he would make a good President.

BARBARA AUB is making confessions and retracting them apparently for no other reason than to gain notoriety.

REPRESENTATIVE BOYER recently presented to the House a petition signed by 22,300 people, requesting that the insurgents of Cuba be recognized as belligerents. The petition was started by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., at Elkhart, Ind., several months ago and was sent to nearly every state and territory. It is entitled "A petition in the interest of humanity and the cause of freedom," and asks Congress to speedily take action recognizing the Cuban patriots as belligerents.

AFTER being completely surrounded by public opinion, piled up so high that the President could not see over the top, the chief executive has finally sent a message to Congress sufficiently loaded with American patriotism to arouse the enthusiasm of the people throughout the land. The Venezula and British Guiana boundry question for a long time has been hanging firs. Great Britain, with her assumed title of "Mistress of the sea," concluded that her power and strength would justify her in gobbling up whatever land lay adjacent to her territory. She has trumped up a charge against Venzula, claiming land that the little South American government justly owns, but that Great Britain desires to procure. The President, in his message to Congress, last Tuesday, called attention to the fact that this question ought to be settled by arbitration and further intimated that if it was not done, the United States would be justified in taking a hand in the settlement of the boundry question. This action by our chief executive seems to meet the hearty approval of all patriotic citizens. The United States now needs the counsel and advise of her best citizens

WOULD the officials of a borough or a township be justified in issuing bonds to pay a certain indebtedness, and after the money was raised to meet the outstanding obligation, to use it to carry on the ordinary business of the borough or township? If any set of public officers were discovered using bonded funds in the discharge of ordinary indebtedness they would be arraigned before a court of justice and tried for malfeasance in office, and conviction would follow. Cleveland and Carlisle for over two years have been guilty of this same crime, issuing United States bonds to keep up the gold reserve in the treasury, and then using the gold to meet the ordinary daily expenses of the government. Such actions would not be allowed in municipal affairs; why should it be in national affairs? These bonds were issued to purchase gold to keep up our reserve. Then by what right does this consecrated duck shooter of free trade and his willing tool, Carlisle, arrogate unto themselves the power to overstep fixed laws and appropriate money unlawfully, and not a word in condemnation of their action? If Cleveland and Carlisle were Republicans, how quickly would be heard the Democratic journals throughout the land crying "down with this unlawful appropriation of the public moneys," and impeachment would be the cry.

IN looking over the statement of the county commissioners for 1894, the expense of the grand jury for that year was $889.45. For the year 1895 it is $711.97, a total for the two years of $1601. As a mere figure head in most cases this is an expensive luxury; they merely hear one side of the question at stake. To illustrate, we will take cases that very often arise: A man goes before a justice of the peace and makes a complaint against another man; the defendant is brought before the justice; both sides of the case are heard and often able counsel on both sides are employed. The justice finds sufficient evidence to hold the defendant to bail and the district attorney draws up an indictment to be presented to the grand jury, who hear only the commonwealth's side of the case and ignore the bill, as was done in court here last week in a certain case, where there could have been no reason for ignoring it. The same case will eventually be tried at another term. There may have been a period in ancient times when the grand jury system had its proper use, when men's lives were in danger and a secret investigation was necessary for the protection of the witnesses; but in this enlightened age of the world the grand jury is no more necessary in securing fair and impartial trials than a fifth wheel would be to a wagon, and what is the use of burdening the commonwealth with this unnecessary expense.

STATE CONVENTION.

At the meeting of the Republican State committee at Philadelphia, Dec. 17, it was decided to hold the next convention at Harrisburg on Thursday, April 23, 1896. It will convene at 10 o'clock in the Opera house. Two candidates for Congress-at-Large will be nominated, also 32 candidates for presidential electors and the selection of eight delegates-at-large for the Republican national convention. The convention will consist of 280 delegates. The State committee then adjourned. Senator Quay announcing that it would meet in the Lochiel Hotel Harrisburg, the day previous to the convention to prepare the roll of delegates.

A. G. Bartley, of Magic, Pa., writes: I feel it a duty of mine to inform you and the public that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me of a very bad case of eczema. It also cured my boy of a running sore on his leg. A. W. Colegrove.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18, 1895.—Speaker Reed will probably not announce the House committees until just before the adjournment for the Christmas recess, which is expected to take place on Friday or Saturday of this week. There is still much uncertainty as to the chairmen of such important committees as Ways and Means and Appropriations, although the contest is believed to have narrowed down to Payne, of New York, and Dingley, of Maine, for the first, and Cannon of Illinois, and Henderson, of Iowa, for the last.

The members of the Utah commission arrived in Washington several days ago and will remain until they can get an opportunity to present a handsomely engrossed copy of the constitution, ratified by the election held last month, to Mr. Cleveland with the request that his proclamation formerly declaring Utah a State be issued at an early day. Had Mr. Cleveland been in Washington where it is certainly his duty to be during the session of Congress, if at no other time, the members of the commission might have saved on their hotel bills, but whether Utah would have become a State any sooner is doubtful, as Mr. Cleveland will not issue the proclamation until he gets good and ready.

It is not yet certain whether the Republicans will reorganize the Senate before the Christmas recess or wait until January, but the latter is regarded as most probable. The caucus committee has completed the work of assigning the chairmen of committees and the Republican membership of the committees, and the job is probably as satisfactory as it could have been made, although lots of Senators are not as well provided for as they wished to be. The reorganization is not now a matter of doubt. The Populist Senators after voting once for a slate of their own are going to retire from the Senate chamber. This will leave the Republicans in the majority and reorganization will be quickly accomplished.

So much has been printed since the selection of St. Louis as the convention city about a move to pack the convention for a nomination that a synopsis of the contract made between the Republican National Committee and the committee representing the city of St. Louis is hereby given as the best refutation of such stories: A hall with a seating capacity of 12,000 or more to be furnished properly decorated, but no pictures of or name of any living Republican to be used in said decorations; rooms for the national committee and for convention committees; the engraving and printing of tickets, and suitable music all to be free of cost to the national committee. Of the 12,000 tickets printed, one-third, less 1,000 are to be turned over to St. Louis, 500 of this number to be given the G. A. R., and the other 500 to distinguished guests, the distribution to be under the supervision of a subcommittee of the national committee. And it is especially stipulated that none of the 3,000 tickets to be distributed by the St. Louis citizen's committee shall be used in the interest of any candidate. It would seem that in that contract the national committee had taken every possible precaution to avoid ground for any just charge of favoritism.

The Democratic party isn't going to wait until the holding of its national convention to split into gold and silver factions. The split has already come. Within a stone's throw of the U. S. Capitol the headquarters of the silver faction, which is being led by Senator Harris, of Tenn., has been established, and a flag bearing the motto, "No quarter to gold Democrats," flung to the breeze. One of the silver Democrats speaking of the split said: "The Democrats have no possible chance to elect a President next year, but we are determined to settle for good and all whether it is to be a gold party or a silver party; whether Grover Cleveland is to make its platform, or a majority of the delegates elected to its national convention. The fight will be to the death, and the survivors can then proceed to build a new Democratic party on what is left, which may get into fair fighting condition for the campaign of 1900."

Senator Sherman proposes to make a set speech at an early day to show how ridiculous that portion of the President's message which treats on finance really is. Speaking of the subject, Senator Sherman said: "From Jan. 1, 1880, when we resumed specie payments, until Mr. Cleveland assumed the office of President there was no difficulty in maintaining the gold reserve. During that period it never cost one dollar to get the gold necessary for the reserve fund. Gold naturally came into the treasury in exchange for U. S. notes or other forms of money. At one period when I was secretary of the treasury, I bought sixty millions of gold for sixty millions of silver certificates. No difficulty could have arisen at this time except for the fact that by the Wilson-Gorman tariff bill duties were so reduced as to be insufficient to pay the current expenses of the government."

A Welcome Usher of '96.

The beginning of the new year will have a welcome usher in the shape of a fresh Almanac, descriptive of the origin, nature and uses of the national tonic and alterative, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Combined with the descriptive matter will be found calendar and astronomical calculations absolutely reliable for correct note, statistics, illustrations, verses carefully selected, and other mental food highly profitable and entertaining. On this pamphlet, published and printed annually by The Hostetter Company, of Pittsburg, 60 hands are employed in the mechanical department alone. Eleven months are devoted to its preparation. It is procurable free, of druggists and country dealers everywhere, and is printed in English, German, French, Spanish, Welsh, Norwegian, Holland, Swedish and Bohemian.

Christmas and New Year Holiday Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the Christmas and New Year Holidays the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will place on sale excursion tickets between stations on its system east of and including Pittsburg and Erie and west of Elizabeth and Tea Grit (except between the cities of Philadelphia and Trenton proper) at reduced rates. The tickets will be sold and good during December 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 31, 1895, and January 1, 1896, and will be good for return passage until January 7, 1896, inclusive.

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NEW LIBEL LAWS.

The question of a change in the libel laws is receiving much attention among the newspaper men of the State. The Pennsylvania State Editorial association has taken up the subject at the quest of Colonel A. K. McClure, of Philadelphia, and authorized the appointment of a committee of 10 to prepare a libel law and report the same at the next annual meeting of the association in January, 1896.

This committee is made up as follows: William C. Kreps, Green Castle; Hon. Thomas V. Cooper, Media; Col. J. H. Lambert, Philadelphia; Pat C. Boyle, Oil City; W. A. Magee, Pittsburg; Hon. E. F. Acheson, Washington, Pa., ex Senator Thomas Chalfant Danville; S. C. Bolles, Erie, ex Congressman Howard Mutchler, Easton; John A. Barrett, Scranton; Col. Leslie Rogers, Kane. This committee will meet in Harrisburg this month for the purpose of drafting a libel law, which will be introduced at the next session of the legislature.

WANTS THE OHIO PLAN USED HERE

In the selection of a United States Senator, Pennsylvania might with propriety adopt the Ohio idea. When the delegates to the next State convention are chosen let the names of the various candidates for Senator be submitted to the people and instructions voted at the primaries in every county in the State, the candidates subsequently placed in regular nomination in the convention and the one receiving the largest number of votes declared the caucus nominee.

This is the way in which ex-Governor Foraker, of Ohio, was chosen to succeed Senator Brice, and it strikes us that it is a very just and sensible plan. It gives every Republican voter an opportunity to express his choice for this high office and besides is the means of averting contests of a disgraceful and unseemly character so often characteristic of legislatures in electing United States Senators.

Give the common voter a chance and let the best man win.—West Chester *Republican*.

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To waste your money on vile, dirty, watery mixtures, compounded by heartless persons, when you have the opportunity of testing Otto's Cure free of charge. Why will you continue to irritate your throat and lungs with that terrible hacking cough when McCoy's drug store, Smethport, and C. A. Anderson, Colegrove, will furnish you a free sample bottle of this great pure cod liver remedy? Hold a bottle of Otto's Cure to the light and observe its beautiful golden color and thick heavy syrup. Largest packages and purest goods. Large bottles 50c and 25c.

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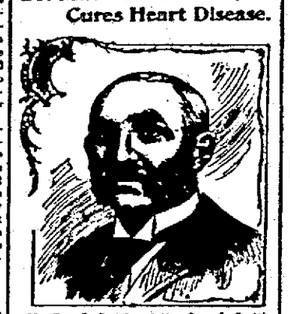

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Mens'	12 00	" "	9 00
Mens'	7 00	" "	5 25
Mens'	3 00	Shoes "	2 25
Mens'	2 75	" "	2 00
Ladies'	3 50	" "	2 25
Ladies'	2 75	" "	2 00

Childrens' Shoes are cut in proportion. Dry Goods at your own prices, as this line must be closed out entirely. Childrens Suits from one dollar up.

It will pay you to come from quite a distance, as it is our intention to close out this store without any reservation. Come in and examine goods and compare prices. No goods will be charged on account.

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Guns and pistols at cost at your own price at Mason's

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Lemmler is right in line with the finest of whips, blankets trunks valises and all kinds of light and heavy harness Come and see the galloway cow robes Prices away down

A fine line of stoves and hollow ware at Mason's.

Act at once, never fails One Minute Cough Cure A remedy for asthma, and that feverish condition which accompanies a severe cold The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. W Colegrove

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All poultry for the holidays will be sold for 12½c per pound. Neatly drawn and promptly delivered. 15 9t.

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When you want good laundry work send your soiled linen to the Mt. Jewett Steam Laundry.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Merry Christmas!

Happy New Year!

Santa Claus is hustling now

This is our last issue this year

"Get in the game" and attend the ball club's dance.

The atmosphere is still filled with railroad rumors.

No need to leave town for holiday goods. Consult our local advertisers.

The Choral Union is arranging for a concert to be given the third week in January.

Emporium hydraulic of sensation.

Pay for your paper and commence the new year.

Get your job print MINER office. Satisfaction.

An "open whitally feared by those who are eh ice.

Look out for one of INGE. We will make magnets during our brief vacat

Mrs. G W Mixer in rather poor health for much to the regret of her many

The story, "A gues," will be discontinued in on account of publishing our page.

Hazel Wood d was locked up in jail last Tight on the charge of keeping susie.

It will soon be the spring primaries. Look timen for the various offices, especi ma.

Last Sunday's *Herald* contained 24 pages, and with spicy reading and handsome ents.

Mr and Mrs. of Mechanic street, are over the arrival of a little girl on last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. ey, of East Smethport, receiv abby a little girl last Sunday how the 3 of the Abbeys

Bloodsworth & Olean Shoe hustlers have a choice adv to which the attenti raders is respectfully directed.

Young people to attend a winter term of sch engage rooms at the Edinboro Stat Expense for the term is only

The Olean Tim that there are over 300 men at the Hall & Buhl road, which built between St. Mary's and Cle

There is a rumor around that the council will the matter of lighting our streets of the people at the coming in February.

Tuesday morning sheriff Walker started to Bradfo Wm Barton. From there W Wr will act as sheriff to conduct arton to Allegheny

We were told a gentleman Tuesday morning could not secure the services of a c the town, and in despair had tied to Michigan for help.

The members Y P C will hold a recital at lence of Wm. Hafner on Mill next Thursday evening Dec 5. ial invitation is extended to all.

At the close evening service at St Luke's church last, Prof Wilson gave a brief ital which was greatly appre those fortunate enough to hear i

The Choral is still increasing in membership great, new members being received meeting All singers should themselves of this helpful opportu

There will be tmas tree at the Baptist church at may eve with an interesting pro of songs, recitations and re citings The public is cordially invited

The Bradford Era has issued a very fine Christmas number last Sunday with an attracti page May the efforts of the pu to issue a live up-to-date paper rewarded with success.

Post master throughout the country would confer a favor on newspaper publishers if they send notice the subscriber (moved away if they would forw new address of the subscriber

Miss Susan daughter of William Arc of Keating ville, who has been very ill with dipt for several weeks, is now consid Drs Clark and Hamilton used Hoyt's ine treatment with great succe

The organ and recital last week Thursday evening a very enjoyable affair and was attended, considering the short notice Which is at home on the organ and fine voice, and we hope to hear more m frequently this winter

Deana Burroughs seems to like the jail and its surroun It is only a few days since was released from Caleb Walker, by Saturday Justice C C Ward, of Pleasant, committed her to jail on the c of malicious mischief

Mr and Mrs. Adam Robbins, of Farmers Valley, surprised last Sunday by a young woman coming to their house and m himself perfectly at home, although his arrival he was not prepared for eather But he is all right now

Whips, blankets trunks Valises and all kinds of light and heavy harness Come and see the galloway cow robes Prices away down

Mrs. Olmsted, Jas Knox and several or capitalists are planning to make artificial lake by damming the narrow by the C & P A railroad just be Seven Bridges When they have accomplished the lake, which they can easily do, they will put up some pavilions and cottages and make the place an active summer resort. Such a plan as this would undoubtedly be profit— *Ulysses Sentinel*

In accordance with its usual liberal policy the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Railway will this season issue excursion tickets account Christmas and New Year holidays, at one and one-third the regular fare one way for round trip between any two stations in line, except that no ticket will be sold less than 25c Tickets will be sold Dec 24th, 25th and 31st, 1895, and Jan 1st, 1896, limited for return passage until Including Jan. 2, 1896.

C S Klingan and C Wolford were in the city last Thursday night on their way home from Kane, where they were in the interest of the borough of Port Allegany A bill to the McCoy glass factory I have convinced them that the flow gas in Mr Wolford's well, on Open Brook is sufficient to furnish a similar plant Port Allegany. Since direct rail communications were opened to Corry, the village has taken on new life, at Port Allegany is anticipate a boom *Bradford Record.*

Rather a amusing incident took place in front of the postoffice last Monday night. Two of our young men got to scuffling and finally took each other down on the walk In the melee one of the young m lost his hat. An onlooker took what and hid it. When the two gladiators thought they had fooled long enough they got up and adjusted their clothing. But one of them like Arthur Dean of old, said, "I want my hat" No hat, however, came forth and the said young man got very wrathy, and after threatening to thin out the population went into a nearby store and purchased a new "derer" While it was amusing the boys should not have carried the joke so far. The young man was justified in his wrath.

Everybody come to the base ball dance.

The Elk *Democrat* is now issued twice a week.

Howarth showed to a fairly good sized house last Tuesday night.

Are you going to attend the ball teams dance? A good time is assured.

Oh, girls! just think of the great matrimonial advantages in store for you next year.

Remember the unfortunate ones on Xmas, you who have been blessed with an abundance.

The meeting of the W C T U will be held Saturday, Dec., 21 at 3 p. m., at the usual place

Brady & Carsaw, the Olean News dealers, have a change in their adv. this week Read it.

Many homes will be gladdened during the next few weeks by the return of loved ones to the family circle

The Postal Telegraph office has been removed to the Backus building formerly occupied by John Walkenshaw.

E M Roberts of the Boss Grocery, had a live hawk tied in front of his store which attracted considerable attention

We noticed some very nice holly at Brasted's this week, which he got in for the holidays. It makes very pretty decorations.

A very interesting communication from Crosby reached us this week, and being unsigned it met the fate of such unhappy waifs—the waste basket.

D Hall is tearing down A B Armstrong's large benery, on Water street, and is removing it to the latter gentleman's farm near Farmers Valley.

J C Stull, of Farmers Valley, has a change in his adv in this issue. It is of interest to all those who are in need of a first-class fertilizer Be sure to read it.

The little son of Fred Lyman was quite badly scalded on Thursday of last week by being pushed into the steam from the exhaust pipe at the steam grist mill

Howorth's company in removing their baggage from the Opera House manifested the stairs very much. A telephone message to the company at Kane brought $5 to repair damages.

J C Breneman handed us some money on Tuesday to be applied on subscriptions, but this time he did not forget to say that his friend Enos Parsons requested him to do the errand for him.

It is evidently the intention of the W N Y & P R R to get rid of all employes who are members of the A R U, as several members of that organization have been discharged recently with no apparent cause

At the meeting of the Choral Union last Tuesday night it was decided to change the meeting place. Look for the announcement elsewhere. First class music is being taken up and the union is prospering finely.

Smethport Lodge No 389, I O O F have fitted up a reading room in their block on Main street, where members of this excellent organization can go and spend a quiet hour when down street in the evening This is something that similar organizations might imitate with a good deal of profit.

The Smethport MINER is now closing up its second year under the management of our old friends, Olmsp & Gilbert. It pleases the *Enterprise* to know that the boys" are meeting with success. We always like to see folks prosper who deserve prosperity, and Burt and Joe certainly deserve all they can get.—Coudersport *Enterprise*

Many of our exchanges are strongly in favor of a curfew bell at 9 o'clock in the evening to hustle the kids off the street When we were a kid our mother used a piece of barrel stave for a curfew which brought us in quicker than any bell would have done, and if mothers would use these same persuaders there would be no need to ring bells —*Bear Lake Record*

Bert Kidder is so anxious to ride his bicycle that he takes it down on the ice Last Monday night he tried to ride on the water, but somehow the machine would not float and went down Bert went with it to see that it landed safely at the bottom He then went home and put on his Sunday suit and after securing a fish pole went to the scene of his adventure and pulled out the wheel.

Every man who has a farm, and a family of children to bring up, should secure the work of E P Roe, "Driven Back to Eden" There is no truer picture of home life on the farm than is here depicted and the lessons here taught are worthy of being followed by anyone striving to make home what it should be Secure the work, follow its teachings and derive a lasting benefit.

Ex-President Harrison receives a larger sum for his articles on "This Country of Ours," which he is writing for the *Ladies Home Journal* than has been paid to any public man in America for magazine work of a similar nature His first article, in the Christmas number of the *Journal* sold 100 000 extra copies of the magazine, of which 750,000 copies were printed as a first edition.

The ladies of the Maccabees elected the following officers at their last review Lady Commander, Carrie Thornton, Lieut., Commander, Rose Gilbert, Record keeper, Mary Musser, Finance keeper, L Chambers, Chaplain, Mary Slater, Sergeant, Jennie Sherbourn, Mistress-at-Arms, Anna Gifford, Sentinal, Lena Callen, Picket, Mary McCameron, Past Lady Commander, Lizzie Holder.

The Mckean Sunday School Association will hold a convention in Bradford on Jan, 23 and 24. General State Secretary C J Kephart, D D, will be present also Mrs. J. W. Barnes President of the Primary Teachers' Union, Newark, N J, who will give instruction in Primary work A fine program is being prepared and a great convention is expected

The two front rooms of the Nunnundah Club have this week been beautifully and tastefully decorated with richly designed paper The work was executed by Messrs Sasse, which is sufficient warrant for its being well done. Several of the best daily papers have been added, and with the other innocent social enjoyments, there is no safer place to pass the evening, unless it would be at the home fireside.

The Smethport Base Ball Club will give a social dance at the Opera House New Year's Eve, Dec., 31. The Smethport Symphony Orchestra will furnish music for the occasion, and there is no doubt but that this will be the social event of the season. The boys need money to start them going next season and they give this dance in hopes of receiving liberal patronage which they justly deserve Delegations are expected from all the surrounding towns. Everybody come and have a good time. Tickets for dancing $1.00 each, supper extra. See posters for further information.

A Bell crowned hat was lost on Main street Monday.

Deputy Sheriff Davis has developed into quite a sprinter. He can run almost a rod.

E A Stickles, of East Smethport, has been having a severe tussel with pneumonia.

The Y. W. C. T. U. will meet at the Methodist chapel this Friday evening at 7.30. A full attendance is requested.

The next meeting of the choral union will be held on Thursday of next week, in the assembly room of the school house.

Everybody should attend the pound party which will be given at the residence of Mrs. T. Walker Saturday afternoon from 2 till 8 p. m.

The Potter *Enterprise* says: The round house of the C & P. A. B. R. Co., at Coudersport was entirely destroyed by fire last Saturday.

Judd Hackett has purchased of Dr. H. L. McCoy the property known as the Stephen Curtis farm, about a mile and a half from this borough. Mr. Hackett will take possession about April 1st

The venerable soldier Capt. L. H Kinney, of Shingle house died last Tuesday morning, at the age of 76 years. The Capt was one of Potter's most respected citizens.

After twenty days trial of the most rigorous kind by able counsel, Mrs. Charlotte Howell was acquitted of the charge of murdering Libbie Knapp near Tioga village last summer. The jury were out one hour.

Thursday we were shown three oil paintings the work of Henry Hiscox, of Clifton Springs, N Y, who is a brother of Mrs. J. W. Sanburn The paintings are on exhibition at Spect and Sasse furniture store.

It is reported that owing to a lack of funds in McKean County's treasury some teachers will be obliged to give up their schools as there is no money in the townships to buy school supplies, much less to pay teacher's salaries.—*Ceres Mail.*

Smith & Backer struck gas sand in the Reilly Hollow well Tuesday, and then breaking their jars were compelled to shut down, but had things in running order again yesterday. They have started the erection of another rig in the same hollow.

The Racket Store at Olean, sent in a change for their adv. which reached us too late for insertion They have a fine line of holiday goods which are being sold at Racket prices. When in Olean do not forget this popular trading place.

The Potter *Democrat* comes out in a 16 page holiday paper this week. It is chock full of reading matter and is a dandy, printed in different colors The outside looks as though it was intended for the 17th of March, instead of a December number

County Treasurer Fagnan is a candidate for the mayoralty nomination on the Democratic ticket at Bradford. He is a very popular man, and were it not for his politics, he could win the office easy Monday's *Era* in speaking of Mr. Fagnan's chances, said "It is not exaggerating the situation to say that his Republican opponents will be required to look after their 'fences' with zeal Fagnan is certainly a strong candidate."

At St Luke's church on Christmas eve Dec 24th, there will be choral services, carols, and a sermon to the children The service will begin at 7.30 p m There will be a Christmas tree for the children, after the service, at the church on Fulton street. On Christmas day the services will be at 7.30 a. m., 10.30 a. m and 7.30 p. m. The festival music at the 10 30 a. m. service, has been arranged with great care, and will be elaborate beyond that of other festival occasions.

Look on the label of your paper and see how you stand in the eyes of the publisher Send him home to his Christmas dinner with good will toward all his subscribers and best wishes for your welfare. There are a large number on our lists who are in arrears over two years, Take this home to yourself How would you like to work for over two years with out a cent in payment of your efforts. Send in your subscription during the holidays so that you, with the publisher, can say, "Good will to all."

The police were called to the Option House about 2 o'clock this morning to quell a disturbance that had broken out in the bar room. Thomas Tracy, a clerk in Ford's Red Front clothing house, and another boarder at the hotel named James Fisher, got into an altercation, and Fisher, who is a middle-aged man and an invalid, was badly used up Tracy, who is a robust young man, seemed to be the aggressor, and was locked up. —*Olean Democrat* of Tuesday. Tracy afterward made his escape from the custody of Chief Hart, and came home to Smethport. Hart telegraphed Sheriff Walker to be on the look out. About 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon Dept's Sheriff Davis rearrested Tracy at Palmer's livery barn and locked him up. Requisition papers will be asked for.

Here are some very good instructions for a newspaper. Just let your subscription go. Its only a dollar or two —the publisher don't need it. If he asks you for it get just as mad as you can and tell him to stop the paper—you never read it anyhow. Then go and borrow your neighbor's. When the advertising and the job man comes tell him you don't need to advertise—everybody knows you that you will try and get along without any printed stationary—it's too expensive, that business is slack and you must economize. Never drop in to see the editor unless you want a free complimentary notice or a lengthy obituary for a beloved relative. Never recommend the paper to anybody. When you speak of it always say, "Yes, we have a little sheet, but it don't amount to much." Keep this up a year or two and you will have a dead newspaper, a dead set of merchants and a dead town —Ex.

There are three candidates for Mayor in the city of Bradford, all of whom are personally known to the management of the MINER—two Republicans and one Democrat. The latter is now County Treasurer, whose term of office will expire Jan 1st next. Mr. Fagnan has made a capable and efficient county official and would undoubtedly make a good mayor Mr. Andrews has had extensive municipal experience, and is perfectly familiar with the duties that devolve upon the magistrate of a city like Bradford. Mr. Wheeler is also well versed in the duties pertaining to the office of mayor. He is accustomed to preside over deliberating bodies quick to decide and prompt to act when the emergency arrives. Mr. Wheeler has a national reputation as a most dignified and capable presiding officer, one that Bradford would be proud to call her chief executive and who would do honor to the position.

Robes and blankets very cheap at Mason's. We defy competition.

Crockery and holiday goods at any price you wish to pay, at Mason's.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by telephone notice at this office.

A. P. Pepe was in Bradford on Saturday.

John Rooney was in Bradford last Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Tracy visited Olean Wednesday.

F. A. Lyte, of Kane, was in town Wednesday.

Fred Olds, of Crosby, was in town Wednesday.

E. R. Mayo, Esq., was in Bradford on Saturday.

Paul Hamlin returned from Yale college Wednesday.

Hugh Boyd was down from Clermont on Monday.

Roy Gifford will be home from school to-morrow.

J W Boston attended the Potter county court this week.

W. B. Chapman came over from Bradford Wednesday night.

F W. Brownell visited Buffalo last week for holiday goods.

A. J. Martin, of Jamestown, was in town he first of the week.

Rev G W Halliwell made a visit to Clearfield Thursday

Mrs P D Hopkins visited Olean the latter part of last week.

Judge Morrison was holding court in Coudersport this week.

L Steinhauer, of Clermont, was in town the latter part of last week

F B Dolley drove over from Port Allegany Wednesday evening

J L. Stanton, of Farmers Valley, was in town on business Tuesday.

Misses Edna Hamlin and Lucy Mitchell visited Bradford last Saturday.

Miss Della Hafner returned home from the Clarion School Wednesday.

Misses Lucy and Elida Wright will be home from Fredonia to-morrow.

W H Allen, one of Warren's prominent citizens, was in town Wednesday

Art Mitchell and Vic Bouton came home from De Veaux college yesterday.

Col. Breneman made a trip to Bradford on Monday accompanied by his wife.

Presiding Elder E H. Latimer held services in the M E church last Sunday

Alba J Gilliland returned on Saturday last after several weeks' absence on business.

Miss Myrtle Gifford will return from St Margarite's school at Buffalo, to-morrow

Horace and Scot Redfield will return from St. John's Military School to-morrow

Deputy Sheriff Osterhoudt came up on the early train from Olean yesterday morning

Miss Lee Knapp has resigned her position as a teacher in the fifth ward school of Bradford

Rudolf Sasse returned from Freeberg today, where he has been taking a musical course

"Tom" Morrison is expected home from Philadelphia to-morrow to spend the holiday vacation

The many friends of Miss Scull will regret that she leaves to-day to resume her duties in Washington

Dr F C Pierce will return home from a two weeks' business trip Friday or Saturday of this week

T N Barnsdale one of Bradford's prominent citizens was greeting his many friends here Wednesday

D C Young started Monday afternoon for Albany to bring his daughter, Lou, home for the holidays.

Misses Nettie Hamlin and Helen Forest will come home to night from St Margarite School at Buffalo

Dist Att'y Sheridan Gorton was called to Albany, N Y, by telegram Tuesday to attend an important lawsuit

Arthur Thamm, of the MINER force, took advantage of the Erie's cheap excursion rates to New York Wednesday

A J Axberg, one of Clermont's most prosperous and energetic farmers, wastransacting business in town last Tuesday

A L Hughes, the giant clerk at the Grand Central, will start Monday to visit his old home at Toughkenamon near Philadelphia

Owen McCarty, of Ridgway, assistant trainmaster of the middle division of the P & E R R, visited friends in town last Saturday

T J Gilbert left yesterday for a visit of several days among his relatives in Philadelphia He was accompanied by his youngest daughter, Vera.

Dayid Barr left for his home in Bradford last Thursday when he has accepted a position with Blaisdell Bros

Senator A F Bannon was over to the hub the forepart of the week. The Senator looks well and is not losing any sleep over the Senatorial fight

Prof C B Kelley, of Port Allegany, was in town on business connected with the County Teachers' Association, which is to convene at that town next February If perseverence will do anything the meeting will be a success Mr Kelley named over a few of the instructors who are to be there, all of whom stand in the front rank on educational matters.

Resolutions of Respect.

The committee appointed by the Smethport Traveler's Club to prepare resolutions upon the death of Mrs Mary A. Bogisch respectfully report as follows

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in His great wisdom removed from our midst our sister, our friend, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That in the death of Mrs Mary A Bogisch we, as a club, have suffered an irreparable loss She was our eldest member She was always with us when possible, always full of zeal and interest in the club She was looked upon by each and every member with love, respect and veneration, mingled with which was the sad thought, she was one of us but for a time

RESOLVED, That we shall miss her smiling face from among us, her cheery voice and loving words of welcome Verily

"The sweet remembrance of the just
Shall flourish when she sleeps in dust."

RESOLVED, That to us, her old friends and neighbors, her vacant chair in our homes, her vacant place in our hearts, can never be filled only by the sweet and living memory we retain of her She came to us always loving and unselfish, broad minded and intelligent, full of new and progressive ideas of the world, always ready to excuse another's weakness, with an unbounded, unshaken faith in God and His promises to man We can only bow our heads before His visitation and say, "May such an end be ours, God's will be done"

RESOLVED, Also to express our sincere sympathy with her beloved sister and our true friend, Miss S. A Scull in the loss of one who was most dear. But we rejoice in the knowledge that "our loss is her eternal gain," having "passed from death unto life," for while in this life "she saw as through a glass darkly, she now beholds Him face to face." "May light eternal shine upon her"

"Who shall tell the welcomes, who the scenes shall trace,
Where the blessed spirit takes its glorious place,
Takes the place it longed for, found so pass ing sweet,
Satisfying ever, at the Savior's feet.
Nearer! nearer! nearer! closer ever more,
Come the blest souls to us, as we near the shore!
Their last pain is suffered, all their needs
But they seek us, clasp us, wait for us in Christ"

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent Miss Scull with the condolence of the club

MRS. H HAMLIN,
MRS. B. F. WRIGHT,
MRS D C YOUNG,
Committee.

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with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

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Ladies' Garments at $5.00, 5.75, 6.75, 7.50, 9 50, 10 00, 10.50 and $12.50.

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AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

PORT ALLEGANY.

Howorth's "Hibernica" played to a well filled house on saturday evening

Miss Rose McCloskey, of Kane, spent Sunday with Miss Lizzie Kilday

W. D Berlingame, of Olean, spent the week in town. Will was formerly operator on the Postal Telegraph and his many friends were pleased to see him again

Prof C B. Kelly, of the Graded School, was at the county seat on Saturday.

C. F. Haley and H. Lyman, the efficient head sawyer and filer at Dalrymple's mill, are seeing the big mill at Austin.

Mrs Chester Baker is on the sick list.

Ed Day, of Westbrook College, Olean, is home for the holidays

A choir has been organized in St. Gabriel's Catholic church The choir is composed of bright young people and promises to be a success

Among the many interesting amusements furnished at band practice Thursday night was a prize fight No names are mentioned but there was a law suit next day

Everyone should attend the entertainment given by the graded school Christmas eve

Mrs A. M Selden, of Bradford, is spending a few days in town.

Miss Sadie McCormick, of Portage Creek, is the guest of Mr Frank Bishop

Mr and Mrs Frank Mead are the happy parents of twin girls

Miss Sadie Toohey, of Olean, is a guest of Miss Matie Teater.

E. P Dalrymple "our king of merchants" has returned from the city, where he has been selecting his Christmas goods.

OBITUARY.

In the death of Mrs. Violette Comes, whose burial took place on Sunday, Dec., 15, the family, the church and the community have sustained a great loss. Mrs Comes was dearly beloved by all who knew her, and her circle of acquaintances was large She was born in Norwich township 67 years ago last August, and was one of the oldest residents. She has been a faithful member of the M. E church for many years, and was deeply interested in its prosperity Her husband, with whom she had walked for nearly fifty years passed away two years ago Though a great sufferer, Mrs Comes bore her trial with great patience, and passed away to her heavenly rest without a struggle

Prayer and singing at her old home, and public services at Colegrove were conducted by her pastor, Rev J W Sanborn, on Sunday last The floral tributes were beautiful, a large wreath of choice flowers being presented by Hon Henry Hamlin Three sons, four daughters and two brothers survive her

Music at St. Luke's.

The following music will be sung at St Luke's Church next Sunday:

At 10 30 a m, Processional, "Veni Emmanuel," Venite, Gregorian, Benedicite, Field in C, Benedictus, Gregorian, Anthem, "Hosanna in the Highest"

At 7 30 p m, Vesper service in A, Goss, Anthem as above

On Christmas day the following selections will be rendered

At 10 30 a m, Processional, "Angels from realms of glory," Introit, "Magnificat," Music for the Holy Eucharist, Eyre in E flat, Sequence, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," Offertorium, "Adeste Fidelis," Recessional, "Once in Royal David's City"

Wanted.

George Rudolph, of Clermont, desires to obtain the services of a competent tailor to make coats and pantaloons. 51 tf

Card of Thanks.

The relatives of the late Mrs. Coon take this opportunity to return their sincere thanks to all who so kindly rendered assistance at the funeral on Sunday last, and to those who contributed flowers.

Class in Flower Painting

By request Mrs. J W. Sanborn, of Smethport, has decided to take a limited number of pupils in the art of oil painting. The class about to be formed will receive instructions in flower painting Classes may be formed later in landscape and figure painting Persons wishing to join the class please confer with Mrs. Sanborn. 49-tf

Persons wishing to make Christmas gifts of hand paintings, celluloid picture frames etc. please call and leave orders with Mrs. Sanborn. tf.

Do not fail to see Mason's window display.

St. Luke's Church.

The following music will be rendered at St Luke's church on Sunday:

In Marriage a Failure?

Have you been trying to get the best out of existence without health in your family? Have you been wearing out your life from the effects of dyspepsia, liver complaint and indigestion? Are you aleerless at night? Do you awake in the morning feeling languid, with coated tongue and sallow, haggard looks? Don't do it. A shout in the camp tells how Bacon's Celery King has cured others. It will cure you. Trial package free. Large size 50c and 25c at McCoy's drug store, Smethport, and C. A. Anderson, Colegrove.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Frank Mix, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETTERS of administration upon the estate of Frank Mix, late of Eldred township, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted by the Register of said county to Gilbert Moody, of Corryille, McKean county, Pa. All persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment and all persons having claims against said estate will at once present the same.

GILBERT MOODY,

Corryille, Pa., Dec. 17, 1895.—51-3t

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Attachments,	Confession of Judgment
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House Leases,	Oil Leases,
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Judgment notes,	Tax Statements,
Township orders,	Land Contracts,
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Solid quarter sawed oak rockers curly birch, mahogany, leather seats, regular price $4.00, our price $1.98.

Chairs you will see displayed at $5. our price $2.98 and $3.98.

Solid Oak chair, plush soring seat, everybodys price $4.00, our price $1.98.

Parlor Suits, in all grades, just the thing for presents, regular price $50, our price $39.

Ladies' quarter sawed oak writing desk, all furniture men charge $5, our price $2.69.

Dining room table and set of chairs combined. everyone's price $10 50, our price $8 98.

Hall Racks, Chiffonieres, Bookcases, Cabinet cases. You can't afford to miss our Furniture department for Christmas.

Dolls and Toys displayed in our basement and impossible to enumerate.

Mens' Slippers at 79c. 89c, up to $1.50 are wonderful bargains.

50 pair of Rope Portiers just received. See if you cannot select a pair.

Entire stock of furs marked down.

Ostrich feater boas. New styles Fur boas and muffs. Entire line of childrens sets.

Down comforts worth $4. at $2.68. Rugs, endless variety of Axminster at $1.98. Compare prices. Hnxy tebles at $3.98 and $4 98.

Art Goods, second floor.

Jap Pillows, $1.98, 2.98 and $3.48.

Piano Scarfs made in Jap. silk, neatly embroidered our price $2.98 and $3.69 make beautiful presents.

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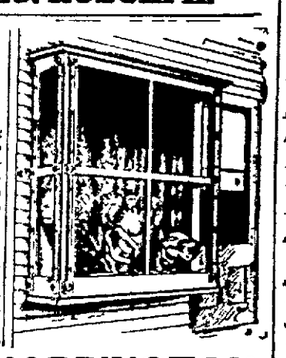

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A Childish Delinquency.

A young man about to be married by an Episcopal clergyman and being quite innocent of any knowledge of the form of solemnization for matrimony in the book of common prayer established that he had better look it up and study the answers to the questions the clergyman was to ask him. He became quite interested in and somewhat perplexed with the several orders therein formulated for as many religious services, so much so that when he stood up before the clergyman with his bride to be married in the confusion in which he found himself he could recall but the merest snatches of answers he had seen in the prayer book. When the clergyman asked, "Will thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance?" etc., the groom courageously replied, "I renounce them all, and, by God's help!"—pausing as if he expected the minister to help him finish the answer But, disconcerted by the groom's response, the clergyman unfortunately increased the embarrassment of the occasion by muttering to himself a little too distinctly:

"I believe that this bridegroom is non compos mentis," to which snap judgment of his mentality the bridegroom blandly responded

"All this I most steadfastly believe."

The ceremony was suspended. Explanations were quietly made between them. The bridegroom was told what he was to say The service was then resumed, and the couple were married in due form.—New York World.

A Double Anniversary.

She—Do you remember what day this is the anniversary of?

He—Well, I should say I did.

She—I thought you would.

He—Humph! Who could forget the day his own house was burned?

She—George!

He—What?

She—It's the day you proposed to me!

Tears and a scene.—Watchword.

Dr C. F. Scott, the state veterinarian of Wisconsin, says that when the goldenrod is eaten by horses it produces a fatal disease similar to consumption.

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Pain and Fever.

"If I had my way, I would punish every woman's thermometer!" exclaimed an Irish physician, who had been roused from his slumbers in the dead of night by a nervous lady. She had found that her little instrument registered fever heat, and although the felt only a slight indisposition she fancied herself seriously ill and sent post haste for the doctor.

"In my opinion, the laity have no business with professional implements; they are too ignorant and too panicky. Many a time a thermometer, for instance, will register heat from some local cause when there is little or no fever. Another time when I was sent for at night after I was comfortably asleep by a frightened mother, I found the child had only a canker spot in the mouth, which, of course, produced irritation and heat, and consequently affected the thermometer Another one of my patients bought a new fever thermometer the other day, and it was delivered at the house just as the children were starting for a matinee. While they were waiting for the carriage she foolishly put the tube in the mouth of one of the little girls, to test it. To her consternation, it registered 103½ 'You are ill, Maud!' she exclaimed. 'You cannot possibly go to the play '

"The child, who apparently was perfectly well, protested, and then began to howl with disappointment, but it was of no use, the mother was convinced that there was some incipient malady, so the party was broken up, the poor little martyr was put to bed and I was sent for. When I arrived, I found no traces of fever whatever, only the hysterical remains of a crying fit, brought on by disappointment. What caused the rise in temperature? I can't say. Perhaps the excitement after eating, for they had just had their luncheon and were wild about the theatre."—New York Tribune.

Animals and Speech.

The theory is advanced by Bayard Taylor that animals remember and recognize the speech of their native land. Once, noticing in Barnum's museum a hippopotamus which were an unmistakable look of dejection, he spoke to it in English. The beast did not move. Going to another corner of the cage, he said in Arabic

"I know you. Come here to me."

The animal at once turned its head, and when Taylor repeated the words it came to him, rubbed its head against the bars and looked up at him with evident delight.

Calls for the same species of animals differ in different parts of the world, but each individual will undoubtedly get used to his habitual call. Cab horses have often been known to pay no attention to gentle coaxing, but to start off promptly at the usual flow of explotives. —Chicago News.

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THE WORLD KNOWN.

This world that was so vast to dream artisans
With golden realms lead by the hand of
day,
With virgin seas and woodrose folk that lay
Beyond all storm and storms, to what a span-
ned
And compass tapes 'tis shrunk! Who now shall
seek
For happy isles along that vulger way
Which, like the ocean roll? Or who shall say
Things yet unkenned of shy maidens land?

We know now, know it all, and smell the good
To you or me the tactions knowledge brings.
But, oh! if one might stand where Jason stood,
And dream like him of regions strange and
fair
Beyond the wild, white sea bird's bathe or
where
The utmost albatross dips lonely wings!
—Inigo B. de H. Deane in Scribner's.

ART OF HANGING PICTURES.

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Only second to importance to producing a fine picture is the fact that the work when completed should be seen to an advantage on the walls where it is placed.

In consulting with a leading decorator on the subject, he said: "In the first place, it may be suggested that it is not desirable to put oil paintings in the same room with engravings or drawings in water colors, crayons or other like materials. It is often done, frequently as a matter of necessity, but we consider it, from a point of artistic taste, a mistake.

"Again, there should be a certain classification of subjects in the pictures ornamenting the walls, as inattention to this is occasionally ludicrous. I recall one instance where there was a print of Rubens' 'Descent From the Cross,' and, hanging on either side of it, engravings of Wilkie's 'Village Festival' and Meissonier's 'Cavalry Charge.' Surely nothing could be more absurd than placing in immediately juxtaposition works in which the motives of the designs are so directly opposite as the illustration of death, a village revel and the fierce shock of battle.

"As a general rule, it is well to place pictures of a certain order of design together Some works can only be seen to advantage in a bright and others in a subdued light, while it is equally certain that many lose nothing if placed above the line of sight, and others gain rather than lose if hung much nearer the floor

"A medallion or bas relief of the right sort set in here or there among the pictures is a relief to the artistic sense, and, above all, all sorts and conditions of frames should not be put together in the same room. Gold and carved gilt do not offend when in close position, but pictures framed in oak or any dark wood should be kept by themselves. Crayon portraits of photographs should never be visible in a parlor or drawing room, and to overcrowd the walls of any room with pictures, good, bad and indifferent, is the very acme of poor taste."—New York Recorder

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The Apology Was Accepted.

"There is a good story on The Examiner," said J Ross Jackson, the ex-newspaper man, to some friends in the Palace yesterday, "and although I'm out of the business I can't overlook its merit on that account. It appears that a druggist named Putnam was killed in Willows recently by a man named Behorn. The telegraphed report came to The Call and also to The Chronicle. The next morning, when Managing Editor Hamilton of The Examiner was looking over the record of the day, he discovered that his paper had been 'scooped' on that particular item He thereupon sent for Mr Corey, the coast editor of the paper

"'Mr Corey,' he said, with a dignified look on his face, 'have we a correspondent in Willows?'

"'Did he send in a report of that murder?'

"'No.'

"'Fire him.'

"'How? By mail?'

"'No. By telegraph. We can't dispose of a man like that too quickly A correspondent who doesn't know that a murder has been committed in his town isn't fit for the position Bounce him.'

"Mr Corey went to his record book of correspondents and presently returned to the managing editor

"'Mr. Hamilton, there are certain circumstances in this man's favor that'—

"'There are no circumstances that would justify such an exhibition of incompetency Bounce him I say!'

"'But Mr Hamilton, this case has no parallel That man has a good excuse for overlooking the importance of the story'

"'Well, what was his excuse?' inquired the editor, becoming nervous.

"'Well' answered Corey, scratching his chin a moment, he was the man who got killed.'

"Mr Hamilton lapsed into silence and went on reading some proofs."—San Francisco Call.

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Then in accents sweet she said, opening eyes of brown

"Why, certainly not. But I'm dying to have Christmas ove come so that I can find out. I know it will be something frightfully expensive—something that will cost lots more than you can afford You men are so reckless with your money!"

Poor Tom next day ran in debt for a diamond pin

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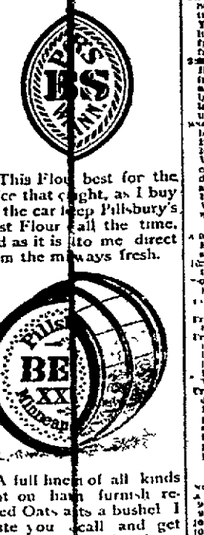

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How like [illegible]rth the waking hour
Of the cl[illegible]e weak and querulous
gale
Mid tears [illegible]ifts a kindred wail.
Blankly t[illegible]e scenes, the air doth
lower
Dense as a [illegible] Beneath a flower
Of snow fr[illegible] branches, white and
frail
As new born [illegible]one, with only power
Given to cr[illegible] wind seeker prevail.
The baby li[illegible] their hungering
Do not more [illegible] nurse invite
Than every [illegible] yearns for spring.
And as the [illegible] eyes wax deep and
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Read the Bible New Year's Morning.

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New Year Bells.

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In effect Dec. 1, 1895.

Trains leave Smethport for Larrabee, Eldred, Olean, Bradford, Rochester and Buffalo as follows:

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday 9:12 a. m.
Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 2:31 p. m.

Train leaving Smethport at 2:31 p. m. connects at Olean with River Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont, Johnsonburg, and points south; Clermont Mail, daily except Sunday 7:17 A. M.
Clermont Accom'dation daily ex Sunday 12:20 P. m.
LOCAL daily, except Sunday..... 7:40 P. M

Clermont Mail connects through to Johnsonburg.

Get Time Tables giving full information from A. E. WORMER, Trainc Agent.
E. BELL, General Sup't.
J. A. FELLOWS, Gen. Pass't. & Tk. Agt.
General offices Mooney Brisbane Bldg. Cor. Main and Clinton sts., Buffalo N. Y.

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway

THE SHORT LINE

[illegible] over trains [illegible] to Rochester, Salamanca, Bradford, Bolivar, Limited to Rochester, Salamanca, Bradford, Olean, Buffalo, Punxsutawney and the coal and lumber regions of Pennsylvania & Allegheny Division and Mt. Jewett daily except Sundays as follows.

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST BOUND.

7.05 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Griffins, Mechias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, Le Roy and Rochester.

2.30 p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden, Buffalo, Mechias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, Le Roy and Rochester.

6.00 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily. For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—EAST BOUND.

2.30 p. m.—Accommodation—For Kinzua, Marshburg, Ridgway, Brockway, Punxsutawney, Dubois and Punxsutawney.

Ten Round Mile Tickets good for passage between all stations, at two cents per mile.

Passengers are required to [illegible] tickets before entering the cars. A charge of TEN CENTS will be collected by conductors when fares are paid on trains, from all stations where Ticket Office is maintained.

For time tables and full information call on or address any of the Company's agents.

D. LUNDEBERG, Agent Bradford, Pa.
EDWARD C. LUKEY, Gen'l Passenger Agent.
G. MATTHEWS, Gen'l Superintendent, Rochester, N. Y.

BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R.

TIME TABLE

Took effect Monday, July 8th 1895.

			STATIONS.			
1	3	5	Ar. Dp	2	4	6
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.		p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ridgway	[illegible]	[illegible]	7.30
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cowley Junc	[illegible]	[illegible]	8.05
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Austin	[illegible]	[illegible]	8.20
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Costello	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Wharton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Lum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hull	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross Fork Jc	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Germania	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Galeton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Coulter	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Antonia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	Dp. Ar	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross Fork Jc.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	ar Cr Fk Jc dp	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	dp Cross Fk ar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

H. Hutchinson, Train Master. C. W. Goodyear, Gen'l Manager.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad

Time Table, takes effect Monday Nov. 4, 1895.

AR. EASTW'D.			STATIONS.	LV WESTW'D		
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
[illegible]	7.50	2.10	Ulysses	7.42	2.30	9.50
[illegible]	7.21	2.40	Crowell's	7.31	2.40	10.04
[illegible]	7.16	1.53	Perkins	7.56	2.45	10.10
[illegible]	7.13	1.50	New'ld Junc't	7.57	2.50	10.16
[illegible]	7.06	1.42	Gold	8.04	2.56	10.30
[illegible]	7.01	1.36	Raymond's	8.07	2.59	10.34
[illegible]	6.56	1.24	Seven Brdg's	8.19	3.11	10.50
[illegible]	6.46	1.20	Colegrove	8.21	3.15	10.55
7.00	6.40	1.14	Frink's	8.25	3.22	11.05
6.45	6.30	1.00		8.43	3.40	11.20
9.55	7.50	12.55	Coudersport	8.45	6.10	1.30
4.40		12.31	Hammond			1.35
3.43			Fish Basket			1.40
3.30	7.52	12.46	Olmsted	8.51	6.20	1.44
3.31	7.48	12.41	Mina	8.55	6.24	1.50
3.25		12.34	Knowlton		6.30	
3.21	7.38	12.29	Roulette	9.05	6.35	2.04
3.12	7.31	12.22	Burtville	9.13	6.43	2.20
3.05		12.17	Coleman		6.47	
3.00	7.20	12.12	Port Allegany	9.25	6.50	2.33
P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	Dep't.	Arrive	A.M.	P.M. P.M

PINE CREEK DIVISION.

4.00 p.m.	Coudersport	p.m. 4.45
	Fair Grounds	
4.12	Ladona	4.32
4.20	Sweden Valley	4.35

Trains run on eastern standard time.

B. A. McCLURE, Sup't.

Bradford, Bordell and Kinzua R. R. Co.

Direct lines between Bradford, Kane and the Elk county oil field.

TIME TABLE IN EFFECT DEC. 16, 1895.

WESTWARD.			STATIONS.	EASTWARD		
p.m.	a.m.			a.m.	p.m.	
7 46	9 55	ar	Bradford	lv 7 20	5 00	
7 34	9 39		Tarport Hill	7 32	5 15	
7 00	9 15		Kinzua Junct'n	8 05	5 45	
6 47	9 07		McCalmont	8 10	5 50	
6 45	9 05		New City	8 12	5 52	
6 18	8 38		Rixford	8 39	6 15	
5 52	9 07		Aiken	8 13	5 45	
6 45	9 00		Davis	8 19	6 52	
6 38	8 55		Simpson	8 25	6 58	
6 27	8 42		McKean	8 34	6 15	
6 25	8 40		Ormsby	8 44	6 35	
6 20	8 05		Smethport	9 05	6 50	
p.m.	a.m.		(P. & W. R'y)	a.m.	p.m.	
6 26	8 00	ar	Ormsby Junct'n	lv 8 50	7 00	
6 45	7 20		Mt. Jewett	9 20	7 20	
6 19	6 30		Kane	10 10	8 10	
4 37			Spring Creek			
4 11			Shaffer's	11 04	p.m.	
3 20			" Junct'n	12 45		
2 33			Centreville	1 30		
1 08			Tylersburg	1 35		
11 15			Clarion	2 30		
10 55			Foxburg	2 50		
9 20			Butler	4 20		
a.m.			Allegheny	7 00		
		lv		ar p.m.		

JNO. C. McKENNA, Superintendent.

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TO THE REPUBLICAN ELECTORS OF PENNSYLVANIA:

The Republicans of Pennsylvania, by their duly authorized representatives, will meet in State Convention, Thursday, April 23, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., in the Opera House, city of Harrisburg, for the purpose of nominating two candidates for Representatives at Large in Congress and thirty-two candidates for Presidential Electors, selecting eight delegates at large to the Republican National convention, and transacting such other business as may be presented. The representation to which each Legislative district is entitled is indicated in the annexed schedule. By order of State Committee.

M. S. QUAY, Chairman.

Attest:
JERE B. REX,
W. R. ANDREWS, Secretaries.

At the state Convention held in the city of Harrisburg May 23, 1894, the following resolution was adopted:

"That representation in State conventions shall be based upon the vote cast at the Presidential or Gubernatorial election immediately preceding, one delegate being alloted to each Legislative district for every two thousand Republican votes, and an additional delegate for a fraction exceeding one thousand votes, each district to have at least one delegate."

Under the above rule McKean is entitled to two delegates.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. P. Beckwith, of Farmers Valley, Pa., as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican caucus.

Frank Fritz, of Simpson, announces his name as a candidate for supervisor on the Republican ticket in Keating township.

DESIRING to be as near up-to-date as possible, we concluded to change the whole make up the MINER, and from now on it will be an 8 page instead of a 4-page paper. This change became necessary owing to our increasing advertising patronage. The business men have readily discovered that advertising space in the MINER is valuable, hence they all take advantage of the same. The MINER will in the future, as heretofore, strive to give you something of interest each week. To our many patrons we extend a happy New Year's greeting, hoping that the new year upon which we are all just entering may be a prosperous one for everybody. To our correspondents and friends in the different parts of the county, who have so ably assisted us, our thanks are due, and we trust that they will continue with us in the future. To the many readers of the MINER, we say, bear with us and we will do our best to please you with a good, readable family newspaper.

DURING the session of the 53d Congress more than a million and a quarter of petitions were sent to Congress remonstrating against the repeal of the McKinley bill. Now petitions are coming to the 54th Congress asking for the restoration of those duties that were taken off. Straws indicate which way the wind blows.

FOR the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1894, the amount of China stone and earthenware manufactured in foreign countries and marketed in the United States was $6,879,000. For the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1895, there were imported of the same articles $8,956,000. This shows what the Wilson-Gorman bill is doing for the American workman.

The American *Economist* gives a statement of the amount of goods shipped from Bradford, England, during the year 1894, to be $8,440,594 and for the eleven months of 1895 under the Wilson-Gorman bill there was shipped from the same city to the United States $26,761,120. Yes, we are capturing the markets of the world in a horn.

"JOHN BULL" does not desire a war with "Uncle Sam." Far from it. England has got too good a thing in shipping her manufactured goods to this country to enter into a war and thus destroy the best market she has in the world. "Johnny Bull" simply laughs at Cleveland and says blow and bluster all you wish as long as you continue to buy our goods. We are after your money and bonds.

SPEAKER REED showed his good judgment in the selection of Hon. C. W. Stone, of Warren, as chairman of the committee on coinage, No better choice could have been made. Mr. Stone, by experience and a thorough study of the financial question, is better qualified for the chairmanship of this committee than any other member of the House. Pennsylvania could do no act over which she would be entitled to more credit than the elevation of Hon. C. W. Stone to the United Statef Senate.

IT is to be hoped that Cuba will succeed in gaining her freedom and be released from the octopus that has for centuries held the beautiful island in its clutches, sapping its life blood and giving nothing in return but run down, degenerated, addle-pated aristocrats to act as governors. That the garden of the world should be used to bolster up a profligate royal household and its contingent followers should not be tolerated any longer, and all lovers of liberty should pray for the speedy liberation of Cuba.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 30. There was a time when many Republicans who could not agree with what he did respected Mr. Cleveland because they believed him to be conscientious and straightforward. That time has passed. Mr. Cleveland has shown himself to be a trickster. And in nothing has he shown it plainer than in that hysterical message appealing to Congress for financial aid. Although that appeal was made when Congress was ready to adjourn for the holiday recess—many members having started for home—the Republican majority at once gave up the idea of a recess and worked even on Christmas day to respond to the appeal, by preparing a tariff bill, not exclusively for protection but to increase the revenues of the country to the extent of $40,000,000, and a bill authorizing the sale of 3 per cent. coin bonds to maintain the gold reserve and of the issuing of 3 per cent Treasury certificates to meet any immediate deficit. These bills have been passed by the House, although not a few Republican members voted reluctantly for the bond bill, rather than have it said that the Republican House had refused to aid the President, and forty seven of them voted against it anyway.

It is now clear that Mr. Cleveland did not want the aid of Congress. That was plainly shown when he, through Secretary Carlisle, declared that the House bond bill would not help the administration unless "coin" was struck out and "gold" was substituted therefor. That was asking an impossibility, for Mr. Cleveland knew perfectly well that the House was stretching things to agree to a bond bill at all, and that a bill for gold bonds could not get one hundred votes, let alone pass. But that isn't all. It is now announced that Mr Cleveland will not wait to see whether the Senate will pass the House bills, but will proceed to make another issue of bonds, and that it will be made large enough to carry him through the remainder of his administration, and they are going to that same old syndicate, although a pretense is to be made of giving the public an opportunity to subscribe for them.

The five reasons which Representative Henderson, of Iowa, gave for supporting the bond bill that passed the House are weighty. First, the bill does not require a bond issue; only authorizes it, if necessary; second, the bonds, if issued would bear a lower rate of interest than those issued by the administration, and those it is now arranging to issue under the old law; third, it compels the administration to give our own citizens a chance to buy any bonds issued before offering them to foreign bankers; fourth, it does not retire the greenbacks, but empowers the Secretary of the Treasury to keep them out of the possession of speculators when necessary; fifth, it prevents the administration selling bonds to meet deficiencies in the revenues, as it has done. This bond bill is a long ways from representing what Republicans believe ought to be done, but it does represent what can become a law, if the Senate will consent, and that is the principal reason for its having been put through the House. The administration already has authority to issue bonds and no secret is made of its intention to use that authority. If those bonds could be issued under the House bill many millions of dollars in interest would be saved. That's the long and short of it; it isn't a question of principle as much as of dollars and cents.

The House committee on Foreign Affairs will report a resolution asking the President for information concerning the alleged utterances of Ambassador Bayard in public speeches. When that information is forthcoming, if Mr. Bayard has been correctly reported, and it will not be a commendatory message, either. The same committee will ask for all the papers in the Waller case.

It sounds odd to hear men discussing the probability of half of the electoral votes of Texas being cast for the Republican Presidential ticket next year, but men who know the situation in the State are doing that very thing. Mr. Frank Welch, a Texan, who is now in Washington, said: "There is hardly any doubt of a successful combine between the Texas Republicans and Populists, and their combined forces ought to be able to knock out the Democrats, as the present Governor was only elected by a plurality. It has been agreed that the Populists shall name the entire State ticket and that the presidential electors and Representatives in Congress shall be equally divided with the Republicans."

The House having done a remarkable week's work will now proceed to take its recess, it being understood that it will only meet once more, just to comply with the law which says that neither branch of Congress shall adjourn for more than three days without the consent of the other, before next Monday, and no quorum will be needed at that meeting as nothing is to be done. The Senate has been taking things easy, but it can get down to work this week, if it so desires, as the reorganization of committees has been completed.

Dr. Shields, an eminent physician of Tennessee, says: "I regard Ayer's Sarsaparilla as the best blood-medicine on earth, and I know of many wonderful cures effected by its use." Physicians all over the land have made similar statements.

One Minute Cough Cure is rightly named. It affords instant relief from suffering when afflicted with a severe cough or cold. It acts on the throat, bronchial tubes, and lungs and never fails to give immediate relief. A. W. Colegrove.

It must be rather humiliating to Cleveland, to be compelled to ask a Republican Congress to lift him out of the mire of difficulties that he has allowed himself to fall into, by his own bull-headedness.

IT is all right to bluster and blow and talk war with England over a disputed piece of territory in South America, but it would look much more Christian like if the nations of the world, which claim to be civilized, would stop the unnecessary massacre of the poor Armenians by the bloodthirsty Turks. After such brutalities are stopped, if any nation has a grievance, then let them talk war, but not while babes and innocent women are being butchered in cold blood by the minions of the Sultan.

THE House of Representatives is now fully organized for business, the committe appointments having been announced by Speaker Reed on Saturday last. About the chairmanships of the three leading committees, those on Ways and Means, on Appropriations and on Foreign Affairs, current opinion has turned out to have been well founded. The chairmanship of the Ways and Means Committee goes to Mr. Nelson Dingley, Jr., of Maine; that of the Appropriations Committee to Mr. J. G. Cannon, of Illinois, and that of Foreign Affairs to Mr. R. R. Hitt, of Illinois. These men are all experienced legislators, and should be serviceable chairmen. The choice of Mr. Hitt, is a particularly fortunate one, though, indeed, it has been a foregone conclusion from the outset. In the assignments of chairmanships agreed on by the Republicans in the Senate there are naturally a much greater number of familiar names. The veteran Senator Morrill, of Vermont, becomes the chairman of the Committee on Finance; Senator Sherman, of Ohio, is put at the head of the Foreign Relations Committee, and Senator Allison, of Iowa, is to be chairman of the Committee on Appropriations. The chairmanship of the Committee on Commerce goes to Senator Frye, of Maine. Senator Cullom, of Illinois, gets the chairmanship of the Committee on Instertate Commerce, Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, that of the Committee on the Judiciary, and Senator Lodge, of the same state, that of the Committee on Immigration.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS

The Board of Directors of the Manufacturers' Club of Philadelphia, at its regular monthly meeting, adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Board recognizes the importance of establishing upon a firm and practical basis, The National Association of Manufacturers, and to this end recommends that the active Manufacturers of Pennsylvania attend the Convention, which will be held in Chicago, January 21, 1896. ROBERT DORNAN, President.
ATTEST: CHARLES HEBER CLARK, Secretary.

NOTE—Special rates and arrangements will be made for transportation of parties desiring to attend the Chicago Convention. Further particulars can be had by addressing Wm. S. Stockton, Manufacturers' Club, Philadelphia; W S Shallenberger, Vice-President, National Association, Pittsburgh, Pa., E P, Wilson, Secretary, National Association, Cincinnati, O.

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Although in the first instance as sluggish as a tortoise, the kidneys become as lively as a cricket when a healthful impulse is given to them with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a promoter of activity in these organs which counteracts a tendency to their lethargy and disease. Inaction of the kidneys, it should be remembered, is the first stage of those dangerous renal maladies against which the resources of medical science are too often exhausted in vain. Peril is forestalled by the Bitters, which averts Bright's disease diabetes, dropsy, gravel and the troubles arising from a weak bladder. Equally efficacious in it in checking and eradicating malarial, bilious and nervous ailments, dyspepsia, constipation and rheumatism. Appetite and sleep are improved and convalescence hastened by its beneficent action. Either when health is slightly or seriously impaired, the value of this restorative and preventative medicine is speedily made manifest.

Coughing irritates the delicate organs and aggravates the disease. Instead f waiting, try One Minute Cough Cure. It helps at once, making expectoration easy, reduces the soreness and inflammation. Every one likes it, A. W. Colegrove.

Laundry.

When you want good, launery work send your soiled linen to the Mt. Jewett Steam Laundry.

Also dying and cleaning work called for and delivered by the agent. Give him a trial. JNO. W. SANBORN, JR., Agent.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
Estate of Frank Mix, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETters of administration upon the estate of Frank Mix, late of Eldred township, McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted by the Register of said county to Gilbert Moody, of Coryville, McKean county, Pa. All persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment and all persons having claims against said estate will at once present the same.

GILBERT MOODY,
Coryville, Pa., Dec. 17, 1895.—51-3t

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
Estate of L. W. Mason, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETters of administration upon the estate of L. W. Mason, late of Smethport McKean county, Pa., deceased, have been granted by the Register of said county to Sheridan Gorton, of Smethport, McKean county, Pa. All persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment and all persons having claims against said estate will at once present the same.

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Bisque hanging lamps [illegible].
Hanging hall lamps $2.25, 3.
Brass banquet lamp $3.00.
Onyx and brass banquet lamp $4.75.
Cheap lamps, way down.

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Horse Blankets of every style so as to be sure to please you. 5-A are the best, most people say. Burlington Blankets are best for the stable. They fit and they never come off.

Prices on blankets the lowest in the state.

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There was never such a run as has been made on our stove department. Over 300 stoves sold since Sept. 1st.

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ALUMINUM.
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Aluminum is taking the place of all else in kitchen ware.

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Smethport, Pa., January 1st, 1896.

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Smethport, Pa., Jan. 3, 1896.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—How do we look?

—If you swore off, stick to it.

—Now, girls, its your chance.

—Argument court next Tuesday.

—1896—be sure you write it correctly.

—The beautiful snow is conspicuous by its absence.

—We propose to make the MINER better than ever this year.

—Take in the Business Men's Carnival at the Opera House to-night.

—The amount of rainfall for the month of December was 3.85 inches.

—The last day of 1895 and the first day of 1896 would pass for genuine winter days.

—There was a regular Donybrook time at the dance at East Smethport on Christmas night.

—Very little snow fell during the month of December. The weather report here was 1½ inches.

—Of course you had a merry time first and afterwards a happy time. Now go ahead and do the best you can.

—Read the new advertisements in this issue. There are a number of them and they make interesting reading.

—The Business Men's Carnival at the Opera House this evening promises to be a very interesting entertainment.

—The next meeting of the W. C. T. U will be held Saturday, Jan. 11th, at the usual time and place. All are invited.

—Mrs. John Williams, of Kasson, who was stricken with paralysis some two weeks since, died New Year's morning.

—Our merchants all say that their holiday goods disappeared like warm buckwheat cakes on a cold winter morning.

—The jury commissioners came here Thursday to commence their duties of filling the jury wheel for the coming year

—F. B. Grantier desire us to express his thanks to Mrs. N. W. Heineman for a fine turkey, presented to him on Christmas eve.

—There was a freight wreck at Colegrove Thursday morning that delayed passenger traffic on the W. N. Y. & P. R'y somewhat.

—If the moon is not more careful, it will be necessary to send it to the Keeley cure. She had the audacity to get full twice in December.

—The leap year party given by the young ladies the Opera House Wednesday night is reported as having been a very enjoyable affair.

—J. C. Gallup is acting as clerk for the jury commissioners. The board are to be congratulated on securing the services of such a competent man.

—Domenies Gigliotte, wife and four children, were brought from Shippen township, Cameron county, Wednesday and are now the guests of Comrade Ryan.

—Col. Rogers installed the officers elect of the McKean G. A. R. Post No. 547 last night. An open meeting was very much enjoyed by all who participated.

—It will cost in the neighborhood of $50,000 to haul the logs out of the Susquehanna and its tributaries to save them from being carried to tide water in the spring.

—The Business Men's Carvival is under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church, and will be well worth seeing. At the Opera House this evening.

—The Potter *Enterprise* of this week speaks of a county order of the year 1842 which was resently presented for redemption. This order is almost fifty-four years old.

—One of Ormsby's citizens received a dose of faith cure recently that was not to his taste and it will probably be some time before he indulges in such enjoyments again.

—The first monthly festival of St. Luke's choir will take place next Sunday evening. Prof, Wilson is working hard to make these special features interesting and attractive events.

—P. C. Corey was placed in Castle Walker last Monday on the information of Miss Minnie Bedford, of Hazlehurst. Corey has not been living up to the marriage laws of the State.

—The Extract Works at East Smethport will start up anew next Monday. Extensive repairs have been going on during the shut down of about 7 weeks. This will be good news to the employees.

—The MINER has received an invitation to attend a joint installation of John S. Melvin Post, No. 141, and the W. R. C. of Bradford, on Saturday evening, Jan. 4th. Col. Rogers will act as installing officer.

—The happy young faces that have made our town so pleasant during the holidays will soon leave us to resume their duties at school. While those who remain will watch anxiously for their return at the end of the school term.

—Last Tuesday County Treasurer-elect T. B. Clark hired J. R. Shoemaker to take charge of the treasurer's office until Mr. Clark decides whether he will move here or not. This is a good selection and the MINER hopes that Mr. Shoemaker will be retained permanently. Congratulations to both gentlemen.

—F. G. Lindholm & Co. are getting ready to take inventory, and advertise special prices for a short time. Call and see their bargains in all lines.

—Street Commissioner Ramer has accomplished good service for the borough during the past year, not only in the work done, but in reducing the expenses incurred in doing the street work, and this includes the new piece of road at the foot of cemetery hill. When we get such a good man, would it not be in the interest of economy to keep him?

—The Potter *Democrat* is big with patriotism and bulging with war talk in its last issue. If Johnny Bull should see Brother Seibert after him with the gun he killed the cat with, he would throw down his arms and escape—as the cat did.—*Journal.* "And the cat came back."

—Last Tuesday the county commissioners had quite a lengthy session over the appointment of a mercantile appraiser. Rob't T. Lain, of Bradford, and Charles Paulson, of Mt. Jewett, were the two principals for the position. On the 21st ballot Mr. Lain carried off the honors.

—William Daniels, of this place, has been appointed as one of the messengers of the House at Washington, and left last evening to enter upon his duties. We, with hundreds of others throughout the county, most heartily congratulate Mr. Daniels on his good fortune. "All's well that ends well."—*Enterprise.* "Boss Billy" gets there every time.

—Dr. Laymon, of the Port Allegany *Reporter*, is responsible for this prescription: To break up a cold there are few things better than hot lemonade. Squeeze the juice of one lemon into a tumbler, sweeten to taste, then fill the glass with hot water, and take just before retiring. —Ceres *Mail.* The doctor got onto that racket when he was up in prohibition Potter last summer, at Ulysses.

—By some mistake a clipping got into the MINER columns of Dec. 20th from the Ceres *Mail*, which erroneously claimed that there was a lack of school fund in the county. After a consultation with Messrs. Fagnan and White, we are assured by both gentlemen that there are plenty of funds in the county treasury to meet all demands. The MINER gladly makes this correction.

—The Epworth League will give a social in the chapel to-morrow (Saturday) evening with the following program: Select reading, Mrs. Lemmler; solo, Edna Church; recitation, Miss Roberts; duett Rev. and Mrs. Sanborn; recitation, Miss Burch. Everybody is invited to be present, whether members of the League or not.

—Justice B. L. Knapp was determined to have a wedding last Friday, even though he found it necessary to advance 50 cents to secure the license and 50 more to get the groom out of jail. Then he took the new benedict's note for thirty days to secure the costs in the case. There are few men in the State who would do so much to right an unfortunate young woman's wrongs.

—There came to our desk this week a copy of the *Farm Journal*, published at 1024 Race street, Philadelphia, by the Wilmer Atkinson Co. It is published monthly at 50c. per year. There are 22 pages well filled with reading matter from the pens of the best writers on agricultural and kindred subjects. Any of our readers in need of a paper of this character cannot do better than subscribe for the *Farm Journal*.

—We often hear of a man who began life with nothing, dying worth a million. Poor fellow! and he has got to begin all over again in the next world, just the same as the man who began life here with a million and ended with nothing.—Olean *Tramp.* Fred, just put a little tar on your heels to keep you from slipping and ring the bell when you get there, and you will come out all right with your tramp.

—In J. Colegrove's store is a cartoon, drawn by a traveling man, representing the F. S. Flour Co., that is truly a work of art. Mr. Holder informed a MINER representative that the agent, with three different sticks of crayon and a piece of wrapping paper laid on the counter, had in a few minutes produced a picture that would attract a great deal of attention if placed where people could see it more readily.

—The Wm. Hengerer Co., successors to Barnes, Hengerer & Co., are out with a new advertisement on our first page this week. The many friends of the old firm will, with us, congratulate the new firm on their entrance into the business world The old-time methods will be continued, and as these have been the cause of their great popularity, we bespeak for The Wm. Hengerer Co. an era of business prosperity which shall exceed in magnitude all their expectations.

—Commissioner Sheldon Jewet was a pleasant caller last Friday. He showed us a relic of Andersonville prison which he prizes very highly. It is some of the cracked corn furnished the prisoners while they were enjoying the hospitality of Wertz and the Southern Confederacy. Mr. Jewett was their guest for about 6 months in '64. He weighed on entering the pen 180 lbs. On his release he tipped the beam at 90 lbs. Mr. Jewett said he was mad enough at the time of his exchange to make up the difference in weight.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Miss Jeanette Hamlin was home for the holidays.

John Bloomster was down from Kasson Wednesday.

Dr. R. J. Sharp, of Buffalo, was in town Monday night.

Mrs. Elmer Crum visited Coryville friends on New Years.

W. C. Henry, of Bradford, was in town New Year's day.

Fred Baker, of Buffalo, was in town during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hungiville spent Sundhy in Bradford.

W. G. Shoemaker, of Buffalo, spent a few days in town this week.

Howard Merrill, Esq., of Geneva, N. Y., arrived in town yesterday.

Judge Brownell has been visiting friends in Wilcox for a few days.

Bob Edgett came over from Bradford to attend the leap year party.

Sandford Fry went to Buffalo Tuesday to spend his vacation at home.

E. N. Holmes, of Sugar Run, was a guest at the Central Monday night.

Miss Myrtle Gifford came home from Buffalo to spend her vacation.

Comrade B. F. Wright and Editor Lindsley were in Bradford Monday.

Mrs. A. B. Walker and daughter, Gertrude, visited Bradford Monday.

E. W. Long and Chas. Lunden, of Mt. Jewett, were in town Wednesday.

Mrs. T. F. Richmond and Miss Lucy Backus visited Bradford last Friday.

C. Alexis, one of Mt. Jewett's solid citizens, was a pleasant caller yesterday.

G. W. Mitchell and A. B. Walker transacted business at Bradford yesterday.

Jacob Hafner, of Clermont, was present at the G. A. R. installation last night.

John W. Baker, of the Bradford Sunday "Herald," spent a few days in town this week.

Erastus Curtis was a pleasant caller yesterday. Although 86 years of age, he is quite active.

Guy McCoy came home from New York last week to spend the holidays with his parents.

William Haskill returned Tuesday night after a week's visit with relatives and friends in Buffalo.

Charles and Henry Shadock, of Buffalo, are visiting their uncle, Wm. Pratt, of East Smethport.

Misses Lucy and Elida Wright, who attend the Fredonia Normal school, spent the holidays at home.

The genial face of Sam King, of Friendship, can again be seen at the harness shop of Chas. Lemmler.

J. J. Newman, of Hattiesburg, Miss., spent the holidays with his family here. He returned home yesterday.

Prof. Eckels visited Tionesta Monday, where he will attend the institute of Forrest county held there this week.

Miss Nellie E. Lonsberry, of Corydon, D. S. C. of the L. O. T. M., was the guest of Mrs. William Gifford Thursday.

Miss Della Hafner returned to Clarion Normal school Monday, after spending the holidays with her friends in town.

Wm. Pratt, of East Smethport, who has been a resident of this county 43 years, was a pleasant caller New Year's day.

Miss Kate Ryan, who is a teacher in the Memorial Home at Brookville, spent the holidays here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ryan.

John E. Mullin, of this place, who has been in the south for a year or more, is now at Roanoke, Va., and will be home the latter part of January.

Mrs. W. D. Renwick, mother of District Attorney Gorton, and her son, Edward M. Renwick, of Friendship, N. Y., spent several days on a visit here last week.

Mrs. E. V. Lewis and son, Herbert, who have been visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Knapp, for the past two monthss returned to their home yesterday.

Orlo Hamlin, Paul Hamlin, Ned Ryan, Horace and Scott Redfield, Tom Morrison, Ned and Jerry Newman, Vic Bouton, Art Mitchell, Roy Gifford and Ray Young, all attending college, spent their vacation at home.

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NEW YEAR PORTENTS

ANCIENT SUPERSTITIONS REGARDING THE WEATHER.

The Twelve Days Succeeding Christmas Supposed to Be Indices For the Ensuing Year—Curious Customs and Beliefs of Many Lands.

The 12 days from Dec. 26 to Jan. 6 have long been recognized as indices of the weather during the following year. The ancient texts referred to distinctly assert this, a Sanscrit proverb running thus, "The 12 nights are an image of the year." Another text from the same sources evidently refers to the same period, "The Rhibhus (storm demons) sleep for 12 nights and days in the house of the sun god Savitar."

In northern Germany it is said that as the weather is during each of the 12 days, so it will be during the corresponding months of the year to come. A like belief exists to this day in Lancashire and Northamptonshire, England, and a very old writer (1590) records the current notion in his day that the 12 days served as an index of the coming year's weather. It was said in one English port that if the wind blew hard on the fifth night (Dec. 30), ships at sea would be in great peril the coming year.

The inhabitants of the Vosges mountains restrict this prophesying period to that of our holidays, from Christmas to New Year's, and are willing only to say that these six days indicate the character of the weather for the succeeding six months.

In one part of our own country it is said that "the first three days of January rule the coming three months," while in another place the 12 days are said to be the "keys of the year."

Of New Year's day itself we have the authority of a very old weather prophet—the author of the "Shepherd's Kalendar"—for the generally ominous portents to be drawn from the weather on that day. "If New Year's day in the morning open with dusky red clouds, it denotes strife and debates among the great ones and many robberies that year." More recently it is said of this day, "If the morning of New Year's day is red, it portends foul weather and great need." While of the second day of the year it is said, "As the weather is this day, so it will be in September."

In the "Book of Presidents" (precedents), 1614, Jan. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are set down as unlucky days. Another chronicle says: "January.—Of this first month, the opening day, and seventh, like a sword will slay."

The first day of the year is often regarded as the proper time to make certain divinations with reference to many events affecting the future. In Northamptonshire the master of the family then tempts fate by opening the Bible with his eyes shut and obtaining from the passage first touched with his finger some indication of the events of the coming year.

Among the Wends young maidens hasten the advent of the chosen husband by going to the henhouse on New Year's eve, striking the perch right among the hens, while repeating to themselves the following doggerel:

It cackles the hen,
You will have a man;
It cackles the hen,
Who knows when?

Certain observances are supposed to obtain luck for the year following. In one part of modern Greece all in the house go out early New Year's morning, then return to the dwelling bearing each a branch on which the leaves are well dried. These are cast on the open fire, each wishing at the same time good luck to the family. The drier the leaves, the greater the flame and the better the augury.

In the north of England new clothes are put on for luck the first day of the year.

An odd ceremony is recorded of one locality in England. Bands of straw were put under the feet on New Year's day while at table. When the meal was finished, one person got under the table and another one sat on his back and drew out the bands of straw. These were taken to the orchard and bound round trees, which were thereby insured to bear a full crop of fruit the next year.

In parts of France it is regarded as unlucky to lend anything on New Year's day.

The fire must be watched with great care on the first day of the year. In Lancashire, England, it is said that if it do not burn through the night of New Year's eve, bad luck will visit the household that year; nor must any one be given a live coal, or even a lighted candle at this time, for the bad luck will then visit the recipient of the gift.

At Auspach the shadow thrown on the wall by the candles on the Christmas tree, on New Year's evening will, if any one is to die soon, represent his shadow headless.

In Roumania the New Year begins with a ceremony of blessing the waters, the priest performing a mass and sprinkling the streams with holy water while blessing them.—St. Louis Republic.

Queer Welsh Beliefs.

In many parts of Wales to see one's shadow in the moonlight upon New Year's eve is believed to be an infallible sign that the person seeing it will die before the expiration of the coming New Year, and there is also a popular superstition that if an unmarried woman should see her face reflected in water on New Year's eve it is an infallible sign that she is destined to live and die in a state of single blessedness.—New York World.

The most extravagant instance of literary relic worship on record is said to be that of a well known Englishman who constantly wears, in a small locket attached to a chain around the neck, a portion of the charred skull of Shelley.

My door stands open wide tonight
In token of a parting guest,
Who twelve months since, with heart delight
I welcomed to my homely nest.

He stands there now, wan, wasted, old,
His race quite run, his mission o'er,
And when the midnight hour is tolled,
We part, to meet on earth no more.

He came to me in merry guise,
With hopes and promises not few.
Ah, who could look within those eyes
And deem that they were all untrue!

But expectations all have fled,
The promises are broken, too,
The hopes lie withered, crushed and dead—
Not one of all but proved untrue.

And there he stands, decrepit, wan,
Who came to me a merry elf,
A few sands more he will be gone,
And with him gone part of myself.

So come and go the passing years
That bear us to the silent sea,
But bright with smiles or dim with tears,
They come in love, dear Lord, from thee.
—Christian Work.

New Year's In 1790.

New Year's day, 1790, was one of special interest to those who delight in tracing facts concerning this method of celebration. President Washington, then in the first year of his first term, lived at the Franklin House, in Cherry street, New York.

The city was then a little Dutch town of cobblestones and gardens, containing about 1,400 houses and 20,000 people, most of whom were tradesmen and mechanics of very limited means.

The president had lived among them several months, but most of them had held aloof through the awe inspired by his great character and his high office. But on this New Year's day a great number of them put on their best cocked hats, their Sunday wigs and all their best clothes and called upon the president.—Philadelphia Times.

Some Good and Bad Omens.

To meet a red haired person on first getting up indicates a dull day in business, and if such a one cross your door on New Year's day you will have an unlucky year. While making a trade, if a cross eyed person looks at you, it indicates that the bargain will be unprofitable. To hear a cricket chirp is good luck, and it is always a welcome sound under the hearthstone of the farmer's house.—Exchange.

A New Epoch.

As the sun completes his annual revolution through the heavens by touching the southern solstice, and then commences his return to northern latitudes, man is compelled to recognize a new epoch in his own career and is reminded to pause a moment for earnest reflection in order to gather wisdom from vanished months and to forecast the signs of the future.—Christian Work.

Japan's Common Birthday.

The first of the year is really a sort of double festival in Japan, for the Japanese, like the Chinese, reckon their age from that date. A child born 24 hours before New Year's day is called 1 year old on that day, so that it is the birthday of all the Japanese people.—New York Advertiser.

Love and Charity.

If you can make love and charity in your heart chord with the last song the choir sings New Year's day, you can make up your mind that you are a pretty good man after all.—Kearney Journal.

A Song of the Season.

I love no rost but a nut browne toste
And a crab layde in the fyre;
A little bread shall do me stead—
Much bread I not desyre.
No froste nor snow, no winde, I trowe,
Can hurt mee if I wolde.
I am so wrapt and throwly lapt
Of jolly good ale and olde.

Back and syde go bare, go bare;
Both foote and hand, go colde;
But belly God send thee good ale inoughe,
Whether it be new or olde.

With sober cheerfulness the grandam eyes
Her offspring round her, all in health and peace,
And, thankful that she's spared to see this day
Return once more, breathes low a sacred prayer
That God would shed a blessing on their heads.

The word hoyden, now applied exclusively to a noisy young woman, formerly denoted a person of like character, but of either sex.

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A NEW YEAR ROMANCE

"You may talk as much as you please," said Muriel Vane, nodding her curly head, "but I'm going to receive company in the parlor on New Year's day. Why shouldn't I? Every other girl does."

"It's a sinful, wicked waste of time," said Mrs. Vane, "when the quilting is so behindhand and there's such a deal of sewing to be done."

"But life isn't all for work," pleaded Muriel. "And Mr. Clifton is coming all the way from the city in his sleigh to see me. Oh, mother, please let me have a loaf of homemade cake and some red apples and real cream for the coffee! Just for this once! It's only one day in the year. Do, mother!"

"Stuff and nonsense!" said Mrs. Vane, who was one of those aggravating women who make up their minds on the least possible grounds and then pride themselves on adhering to their word. "I've said no, and I mean no. When I was a young girl I wasn't setting my cap at every fellow that came along."

"Mother," cried Muriel, in an agony of wounded pride, "do you mean to say that I do such a thing?"

"You think a deal too much of the beaus anyway," said old Mrs. Vane, screwing up her thin lips. "And I'm going to break up that sort of thing. See if I don't!"

It was with difficulty that Muriel Vane, naturally a high tempered girl, checked the indignant retort that rose to her lips. Surely, surely, it was not right that she, a girl of 18, who was earning her own living by teaching in the district school, should be treated like a child of 8; that her tyrannical old mother should place no confidence whatever in her sense of right and delicacy. Up to this time she had rendered the tribute of an unwilling obedience to Mrs. Vane's behests, and now she felt that the moment for just rebellion had come. She felt that she could not live any longer in this cramped, niggardly sort of way, with the very lumps of sugar for her tea meted out to her, one by one, and the pippin apples for her lunch dealt sparingly forth, as if each one were molded in gold. Mrs. Vane took her lamp away at 9 o'clock every night. She dictated to poor Muriel as to the very color of her dresses and the number of yards which she might purchase for them; in fact, the girl scarcely dared to think for herself. Could she live thus always? she asked herself. Was it right that she should?

"At all events, mother," said Muriel, speaking in a low, determined tone, "I shall receive my friends on New Year's day! It is my privilege, and I claim it!"

"Humph!" was the contemptuous rejoinder, but there was a world of meaning in it.

So Muriel retrimmed her one black silk dress and bought a new ribbon sash and baked a great, golden New Year's cake filled with plums and studded all through with translucent bars of citron and herself bargained with the grocer for two pounds of real Java coffee with as little adulteration of Rio, Maracaibo and chicory as he could bring himself to concoct.

"I can use the china that my grandmother Vane left me in her will," thought Muriel. "That, at least, is mine, although mother would never allow me to unpack it!"

She was busy decorating the walls of the little parlor with laurel leaves and long, dark green trails of prince's pine on New Year's eve, when her mother came into the room.

"Muriel," said she, "I want to send some dressed chickens and a peck of those golden pippins to your Aunt Dora at the lighthouse. Jenkins' boy is ready with the boat, but he's such a limb that I don't, for the life of me, dare to trust him with the apples and the bag of hickory nuts. I want you to go and ask Aunt Dora for the pattern of the new bedquilt—the 'Philadelphia pavement,' you know."

"Very well, mother," said Muriel in the old submissive way. "But isn't it rather late?"

"Pshaw!" said Mrs. Vane. "Why, the sun is an hour high yet. You'll be back long before dark if Jenkins' boy is spry with the oars."

Aunt Dora, Mrs. Vane's only sister, was a worthy scion of the family tree—tall, masculine and hard featured. She had always taken the entire charge of White Reefs lighthouse, even although the official appointment was conferred upon her husband, and when one day that public servant departed this life, things went on precisely the same. Muriel was not fond of her Aunt Dora, and her Aunt Dora regarded her as a "poor, chicken hearted creature—Vane all over." But Muriel did feel sorry for the lonely old woman, and she thought that even a pair of fowls and a few apples—this unwonted manifestation of sisterly feeling—were worth carrying to White Reefs. So she made haste to don her wadded cloak and little fur edged hood, and to draw on the scarlet woolen mittens, which she herself had knitted during those long, dreary winter evenings when she and her mother sat in silence opposite each other, for Mrs. Vane never invited any company, and gave her neighbors but scant welcome when they came of their own accord.

"Jenkins' boy" was ready with the boat, a small, ferret eyed youngster, with an intensely freckled face and a furtive, sidewise glance, which Muriel always distrusted; and as they glided out over the water, already dyed with the orange reflection of sunset, in the direction of White Reefs lighthouse, Muriel leaned her chin in her hands and thought of Mr. Clifton.

What would her mother say if she knew it all—that Paul Clifton loved her sadly. "Mother will say no. She desires me to marry Squire Sedley, who is bald and deaf and twice my age, and who only wants me because his housekeeper has struck for higher wages and he thinks a wife would be better economy. But we can wait, Paul and I. We will wait."

And then they ran up alongside the tall, spectral cylinder of the lighthouse, for the tide was high and landing was comparatively easy, and Muriel sprang lightly out of the boat, looking up at the fiery eye in the lantern above.

"Give me the bag and the basket, Tommy," said she. "Steady with the boat now! I'll be back in one minute."

So the orange glow had burned down into a deep red radiance, and the dusk shadows of the New Year's eve were creeping over all the glassy surface of the sea.

Aunt Dora was at home. In fact, Aunt Dora never was anywhere else. Her own society, little as other people cared for it, was all sufficient for herself.

"Oh, it's you, is it?" said Aunt Dora, as unconcerned as if she lived on dry land and was in the habit of seeing company every hour in the day. She was darning stockings by her own especial little lamp, and the teapot already simmered on the hob for her tea. "Anything the matter? Because I couldn't leave the light if it was ever so"—

"No, nothing is the matter," said Muriel. "I have brought you a note from my mother. Something about the pattern of a bedquilt, I believe. And some chickens and apples and a bag of fresh hickory nuts."

Aunt Dora read the note once, twice, three times over. Then she regarded Muriel in a sinister fashion from under her thick, black brows, while the girl played unconsciously with the cat.

"Humph!" said she. "Yes, I'll go and get the pattern!"

She was gone some time—half an hour, at least, as it seemed to Muriel, and when she came back, the girl started up.

"It is nearly dark," she said. "I must make haste home."

"Well you needn't be in such a flurry" said Aunt Dora, with a grim chuckle. "I've sent the pattern by Tommy Jenkins. He's half way to shore by this time."

Muriel uttered a little shriek.

"And how am I to get home?" she cried.

"You ain't to get home at all," said Aunt Dora. "You're to stay and spend the New Year with me. That's what your mother said in her note."

"But I shall not!" exclaimed Muriel, stamping her foot vehemently. "I must go home! I expect company tomorrow."

"Sit down and be easy—do!" said Aunt Dora. "Must is for the king. I'd like to know how on earth you're to get home, with only one boat at the steps, and that padlocked tight, with the key snug at the bottom of my pocket!"

And Aunt Dora laughed a hard, dissonant laugh that was like the croak of a raven.

For a moment Muriel gazed wildly around like a newly caged bird, then she burst into tears and sobs.

"It is all a stratagem of mother's!" she cried, wringing her hands. "I might have known it! I might have known it!"

And that night at the White Reefs lighthouse, with the melancholy sea lapping the foot of the tower and the wind whistling around the steady glow of the beacon, was the dreariest that Muriel ever spent in her life.

"You ain't good company tonight," said Aunt Dora, glancing at her niece ever and anon between the stitches of her darning.

"Because you have deceived me!" cried Muriel. "You and mother!"

"Humph!" said Aunt Dora. "It's all for your own good. You'll thank us one of these days. Girls oughtn't to have their own way."

But Muriel only wept on and refused to be comforted.

She went down to the foot of the tower, the next day, and sat there, her cloak wrapped about her shoulders, listlessly gazing out on the sparkling floor of the deep.

"Is that a boat coming?" she asked herself. "With one man in it? Is it coming here, I wonder?"

Nearer and nearer came the boat, rocking lightly on the surface of the waves, and presently Muriel started up, with a cry of joy.

For it was Paul Clifton waving his hand to her, as he came ever nearer and nearer.

"A happy New Year, sweet Muriel!" he called out, as the boat touched the stone steps. "I am the enchanted knight come to rescue you from the prison tower!"

"How did you know I was here?" said Muriel, with sparkling eyes and velvety cheeks dyed with crimson.

"Your mother was entirely noncommittal," said Clifton gayly. "I could learn nothing whatsoever from her except that you were well and were not receiving company. But I was fortunate enough to meet Tommy Jenkins, who, for the consideration of a silver quarter, ignominiously turned state's evidence. And here I am, my sweetheart! Will you come with me?"

"Of course I will," said Muriel, springing lightly into the boat. "But where?"

"To be married," said Mr. Paul Clifton. "It is high time that this system of tyranny was broken up. My little Muriel must be mine and mine alone henceforward. Do you not agree with me?"

And Muriel answered:

"Yes."

Aunt Dora got to the window just in time to shriek an ineffectual summons to the pair in the fast receding boat.

"It's no use," said Aunt Dora, drawing a long breath. "When a girl is in love, she is neither to hold nor to bind. I've done the best I could. Mehitable

"Mother," said she to the amazed Mrs. Vane, who fully believed that she was "dreeing her weird" in the solitary lighthouse tower, "I am married! And this is my husband. Will you forgive us, please? For I am so very, very happy today that I do not want a living soul to be at variance with me!"

And so Muriel signed her declaration of independence, and became Paul Clifton's wife upon this glorious sunshiny New Year's day. And Mrs. Vane and Aunt Dora were compelled to confess themselves outwitted and to accept their defeat with as good grace as possible.

"Fate is fate," said Aunt Dora grimly.

"And I wash my hands of the whole concern," said Mrs. Vane.

But Paul and Muriel were serenely happy. And what mattered aught else? —New York Ledger.

Begging Bread and Cheese.

Scotch children of the poorer class in small towns still beg on New Year's eve from door to door at the houses of wealthier families for a dole of oat bread, calling out "Hogamanay" or some of the local rhymes which are given in Chambers' "Popular Rhymes of Scotland," such as:

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For the time will come when ye'll be dead
And neither need your cheese nor bread.

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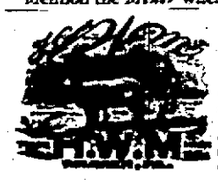

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"Interview! Good God, sir! Is there no way to escape the newspapers? Why, it is worse than the passport system in Russia. I cannot put my foot on the soil anywhere in this country without being confronted thus. I have done my best to avoid it. If I were to make up for a minstrel show, I would, no doubt, be discovered. You are simply driving me out of the country. I would have been glad to remain ten days at Puget sound if I could have done so in peace, like any other unobtrusive traveler, but they were there to meet me with note-books and pencils."—Portland Oregonian.

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When you are dieting to reduce flesh, you must eat stale bread, and give up potatoes, rice, beets, corn, peas, beans, milk, cream, all sweets, cocoa, indeed anything which even suggests sugar or starch. Dry toast without butter, tea without either milk or sugar, rare meat with no fat, and, as far as possible, no vegetables at all should form your diet. Take all the exercise you can in the way of walking; go twice a week to a Russian bath (where possible) and in variably go to bed hungry. Anybody brave enough to live up to these laws will certainly lose flesh.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

PORT ALLEGANY.

While trying to walk on a tight rope in the Athletic Rooms, Orlo Knowlton fell and very severely blacked his eye. Funny wasn't it.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holmes, of Bradford, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Black, of Kane, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Baker.

What ailed those young men, who were parading Maine St. on Christmas night? We wont say, but think we know.

Talks of a glass factory are heard quite often. Hurry up: Ye kings of enterprise and make it a reality.

Wm. Ward, and wife, of Washington, Pa., who have been the guests of relatives, returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weiper and daughter, Dorothy, of Olean, N. Y., spent Christmas at N. C. Weipper's.

Mrs. H. Greene, of Bradford, who has been spending the week in town returned home Saturday.

The entertainment at the schoolhouse was a success. Something like ten dollars was realized.

While at her play last Tuesday little Mable Williams fell and fractured her collar-bone.

Paul Selden and Elton Holden, of Bradford, are spending their vacation in town.

Misses Haley, Lyman and Teater were guests of Miss Edith Bishop on Sunday.

B. H Rice and F. B. Todd spent Sunday at Portville, guests of Miss Hattie Rice.

Miss Marion Kelley, of Canton, Pa., is also a guest at the Kelley residence.

Miss Grace Sartwell and brother, Stevie, attended the Alumni Ball at Olean.

Thomas Blyghe, Duke Centre's hustling oil man was in town Wednesday.

Miss Almeda Larabee, of Waterfore, Pa., is passing the holidays at home.

Miss Therese Diefenbach, of Renovo, is the guest of Mrs. C. B. Kelley.

Miss Mable Shelden, of the Public Schools, is at her home in Renovo.

Miss Edna Minehan and mother, of Olean, spent the sabbeth in town.

George Maxwell, barber of Shinglehouse, is assisting C. A. Lambert.

George Helwig, of Austin, was in town one day last week.

J. Troy, of Olean, was in Port Allegany one day last week.

Miss Vada Coleman returned to Clarion Normal Monday.

Ed. Finn, who attends school here spent Xmas in town.

Miss Libbie Radeker is the guest of Corinna Weipper.

W. Valentine spent Sunday with his family.

E. P. Dalyrmple was at Buffalo Saturday.

C. B. Kelley was at Olean last Saturday.

A Christmas Tree.

The Christmas tree, at the Moor school house, Farmers Valley, was largely attended and an enjoyable time was pronounced by all. The school room was very tastefully dcorated with evergreen, draperies, etc. The tree was loaded with beautiful presents showing that "Old Santa" had not forgotten the people of that vicinity. The teacher, Miss McGill was presented with a handsome parlor lamp, given by her pupils, shawing the high esteem with which she is regarded.

A pleasing program had been arranged and was carried ih a manner which pupils and teache should be proud of. At the close of the entertainment "Old Santa Clause" appeared on the scene and began to relieve the stately tree of its gorgeous load, bringing forth many exclamations of surprise and delight as each one received their beautiful presents.

After the entertainment, the pupils and parents assembled at the home of Miss McGill and was there when she arrived home giuing her a an agreeable surprise. After spending a few hours very pleasantly all departed for their homes, declaring it to be as merry a Christmas eve as they had ever spent.

LITERARY NOTES.

There is but one collection of the portraits of Lincoln that pretends to be complete, and that is the collection made by the publishers of *McClure's Magazine*. They have been able to secure either originals or copies of every photograph, daguerreotype, ambrotype, drawing or painting of Lincoln, so far as known, in existence. There are in this collection fifty photographs, ambrotypes and daguerreotypes. The best collection of Lincoln heretofore published in any work contained ten portraits.

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THE financial measure agreed upon by the Ways and Means Committee of the House confers upon the Secretary of the Treasury, in addition to the powers given him by the Resumption act, authority to issue, sell and dispose of from time to time, at his discretion, at not less than par, coin coupon or registered bonds of the United States to an amount sufficient for the object stated in the bill, bearing not to exceed 3 per centum interest per annum, payable semi-annually, and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States in coin, after five years from their date, but within a period of fifteen years, with like qualities, privileges and exemptions to those provided in the Resumption act. The Secretary of the Treasury is required to use the proceeds thereof for the redemption of the United States legal-tender notes, and for no other purpose, and whenever he shall offer any of the bonds authorized for sale by the bill, or by the Resumption act of 1875, he is required to advertise the same and authorize subscriptions therefor, to be made at the Treasury Department, and at the Sub-Treasuries and designated depositories of the United States. —*Bradstreet.*

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40	"	1.10	" "	80 "
25	"	50	tapestry	39 "
50	"	80	" "	45 "
25	"	85	" "	50 "
30	"	85	" "	50 "
24½	"	1.20	body brussels	75 "
25	"	1.35	" "	85 "
49	"	1.35	" "	88 "

20 " remnant all wool ingrain for $8.00.
10 " " " " " " 6.50.
25 " best all wool ingrain, 40c yd.
20 " " " " " 40c yd.

Any remnant of ingrain carpet, from 3 to 12 yards, for 48c yd. One samples of ingrain carpets, from 1 to 1¼ yards for 25c each, worth 38 to 75c the thing for rugs for bed-room, etc.

Remnant velvet, brussels, etc., for rugs, 1¼ yds. long for 35c each, wor to $1.50. 50 remnants of matting, from 1 to 2 yards in length, for rugs, c etc., two for 25c, worth three times as much.

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